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10.15 Dance Music.

11.00 Close Down.

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Investigators Here

Following the recent Eastern Conference in New Delhi, two delegates from the Ministry of Supply Mission to India have arrived in the Colony to explore the possibilities of industries in connection with the Empire war effort.

They are Mr. F. H. Harrison and Mr. H. J. E. Hewlett, two technical members of the Ministry of Supply Mission which was headed by Sir Alexander Rogers, and included about 20 representatives.

It is believed that at the Conference the delegates were so impressed by the possibilities of Hongkong industries from the accounts of Colony's delegates that it was decided to send two experts to investigate.

An extensive programme, it is understood, has been arranged for the two delegates, who paid a visit to Kowloon Docks on Wednesday. They are expected to leave the Colony during the week-end for Rangoon and Calcutta.

Chinese Trade
Fair Closes

The fourth annual trade fair of the Hongkong Chinese Manufacturers' Union proved a tremendous success and over 140,000 adults passed through the main gate into the fair grounds, stated an official of the Union yesterday.

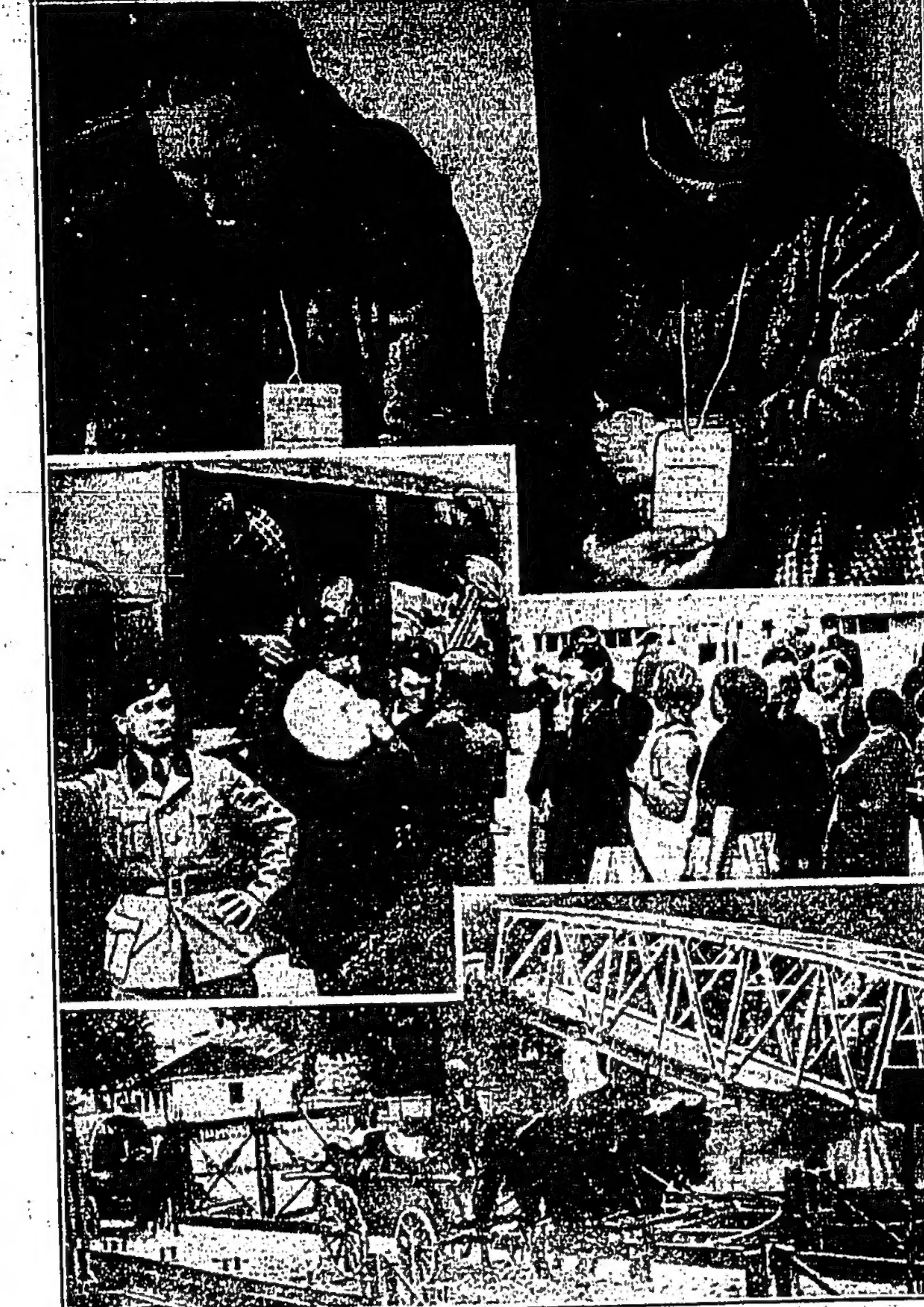
About 20,000 tickets were sold for admission on New Year's Day and the Fair authorities expected as big a crowd yesterday, the final day.

His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lt. General E. F. Norton, paid an informal visit on New Year's Day while while other visitors were Sir Robert Ho Tung and the acting Consul-General for the Netherlands, Mr. D. G. E. Middelburg.

It was announced yesterday that all proceeds from admission charges for yesterday would be donated to charity.

Piece-goods and electric torches and batteries occupied most of the stalls and as an official pointed out, the export trade for electric torches was tremendous.

New Exhibits this year were machines for the manufacture of precision tools and these excited much interest. The fair closed last night at 10 p.m.



MOVING A PEOPLE—Hitler, intent on changing the map of Europe, shuffles peoples around at will. Following Russia's acquiring of Bessarabia, northeastern district of Rumania, Hitler ordered 125,000 Germans there to be repatriated. Here are scenes in connection with the movement of people. Top, two German women display identification cards. Centro, Germans reclaiming belongings after arrival at Rumanian border town. They will winter in newly constructed special quarters in Rumania, trekking to Germany later. Bottom, on journey from Bessarabia to Rumania over pontoon bridge. Bridge, right, blown in Russian crisis.

Greater Resistance By
Chinese In 1940

Interesting figures regarding the Sino-Japanese hostilities in the past three and half years were revealed by the Chinese War Minister, General Ho Ying-ching, "showing the increasing effectiveness of Chinese resistance."

During the first period of the war, the Japanese were mainly on the offensive and it was only during the Hsuehchow battle that the Chinese launched a counter-offensive; but during the second period, though the Japanese still remained on the offensive, the Chinese adopted counter-offensive wherever possible and were particularly successful at Tsaoyang and Changsha.

During the first period there were 276 engagements involving over 100,000 troops, of which Chinese attacks amounted to only seven per cent, while during the second period there were 234 major engagements, of which Chinese attacks amounted to 45 per cent.

During the first period the "utmost advance by the Japanese was about 700 kilometres, but in the second period it was only 200 kilometres. (The Japanese withdrawal from Nanking amounted to a retreat of 200 kilometres). The Japanese daily advance therefore in the early stages of the war amounted to 400 kilometres, but later only to 100 metres, and now not only no advance has been made but there are signs of retreat.

During the first period the highest figure of Japanese-occupied areas was 1,140,000 square kilometres, while in the second period the Japanese occupied only 90,000 square kilometres. Of these figures it must be pointed out that the Japanese occupied only ten per cent of the areas.

During these three and half years, the Japanese lost 1,600,000 troops killed and wounded with 63 per cent of Japan's able-bodied men drafted. Japanese war expenditure in China totalled \$16,400,000,000, the while Japanese note issue by the end of 1940 had already reached \$3,900,000,000.—Reuter.

Five Million Troops

It was revealed by General Ho Ying-ching that the Chinese army recaptured 99 cities during the past year and abandoned 60, and that up to December 23 the Japanese had suffered 284,000 killed in action during 1940.

The General also stated that 5,000,000 Chinese had been trained and equipped and that there was no need at present to worry about China's sources of man power. The only necessity for a major offensive which

Sea Losses
Compared

German sea losses mentioned in a summary released to-day do not include the specific number of submarines which are claimed to have been destroyed during the year, neither is any claim made for damage inflicted on Nazi naval units.

Hitler's fleet has, however, lost two cruisers, 12 destroyers and a number of smaller vessels. Italian losses are heavier with one cruiser, 11 destroyers and at least 25 submarines, while damage to three battleships, two cruisers and two fleet auxiliaries at Taranto is included in addition.

Losses to the British fleet are one aircraft carrier, three cruisers, 10 armed merchant cruisers, 33 destroyers and 21 submarines. In accordance with the settled policy damage to ships is not announced.—British Wireless.

GERMANS ATTACK CONVOY

German armed reconnaissance planes attacked British warships and merchantmen off the British east coast. An outpost ship was directly hit and another set afire immediately after the attack.—United Press.

BETTE DAVIS MARRIED

Hollywood, Jan. 2. Bette Davis married Arthur Farnsworth, of Boston, in Arizona, to-day.—United Press.

Bette Davis was divorced by Harmon O. Nelson, dance band leader, in December 1938. They were married in 1932.

Indo-China
Will Be
Defended

French Attitude

France's will to defend her Far Eastern empire is affirmed by Le Temps which declares that the firm attitude of France has had its effect in the controversy between Thailand and French Indo-China, and adds: "It should suffice that France clearly affirms her will to defend the integrity of her Empire there in order that those who might have thought it possible to exploit to the limit of their ambitions our defeat in Europe may recognise that there are in politics realities which it is unwise to disregard."

Being sure of her right in the Indo-China affair, concluded Le Temps, "France cannot lend herself to any interference or pretext whatever to obtain concessions affecting the integrity of the territories, our sovereignty over which cannot be questioned."

"Wounded France is not giving up," declared General Huntziger, Minister of War and Commander-in-Chief of the French land forces, in a New Year message to the people of Syria, where he was formerly French Commander-in-Chief. He urged his hearers to keep their confidence in France and share wholeheartedly in France's task of recovery renovation.—Reuter.

Attack Imminent?

Chungking, Dec. 31. The Ta Kung Pao reports that Japanese occupation of southern Indo-China is imminent, probably by a landing at Saigon and Camranh Bay. Over 100 Japanese aircraft are said to be concentrated at the Hanoi airfield.

In an editorial on the Indo-China situation, the newspaper says that representatives of Indo-China revolutionaries held a conference on Sunday at which "The Indo-China People's Freedom Movement Committee" was formally created.

The Indo-China Independence Revolutionary Alliance recently sent a representative, Ho Chao-hua, to China, seeking Chinese assistance, and ten days ago he received Chinese promises in Kwelin. However, the Ta Kung Pao warned the Indo-China people against Japanese intrigues which are supplying arms and funds to certain Indo-China groups for an uprising.—Reuter.

Portuguese
Officer
Shot Dead

Macao, Dec. 30. A crime which has aroused great public indignation took place last night, when Lieut Antonio Jose da Cunha was killed as he tried to stop a gunman, who, with others, attempted to kill a Mr Choi Tse-cheek.

It appears that Mr Choi Tse-cheek, who is alleged to be a member of the Chinese administration favouring Wang Ching-wel, was wounded some time ago in a shooting affair in the waters of Macao's Limer Harbour, after being treated at the Macao Government Hospital was recovering from the wounds received.

Last night, at 8 p.m., four Chinese entered his room and after threatening members of his family, one of the party snatched Choi, leaving him for dead. The four gunmen then made off, each taking a different route, and upon the alarm being given, members of the hospital staff chased one of the men. Identifying the hubbub, Lieut da Cunha, who was then dining with his family, rushed into the street and attempted to stop the man who was running. The latter fired and Lieut Cunha fell, mortally wounded. The man escaped.

The doctors succeeded in saving the life of Mr Choi, whose condition, though grave, is not considered hopeless.

The Police this morning have cordoned off parts of the town, and are carrying out house searches. A number of persons have been detained for questioning, and it is said that some carrying pistols have also been arrested.

The late Lieut Cunha is survived by a wife and nine children, and the funeral, which took place this afternoon, was attended by a large number of persons, including His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Commander Gabriel Teixeira, Major Lacerda, Chief of Staff, officers of the Army, the Navy, the Air Force unit, Police, officials of the Government service, and many friends.—Our Own Correspondent.

Bomber Fund
Swelling

A total of \$1,223,719.23 was reached yesterday by the War Fund inaugurated by the S. C. M. Post, Ltd., with the following donations:—

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Friday, Jan. 3

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Reg. Jan. 3, Noon.

Ord. Jan. 3, 12.30 p.m.

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Reg. Jan. 3, 4 p.m.

Ord. Jan. 3, 4.30 p.m.

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Saturday, Jan. 4

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K.P.O. & G.P.O.

Parcels Jan. 4, 4.00 p.m.

Reg. Jan. 4, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. Jan. 4, 5.30 p.m.

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G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Par. Jan. 4, 4.5 p.m.

Reg. Jan. 4, 5.45 a.m.

Ord. Jan. 4, 10.30 a.m.

Sunday, Jan. 5

Holloway Jan. 5, 8.30 a.m.

Sundakan Jan. 5, 8.30 a.m.

Monday, Jan. 6

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G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Reg. Jan. 6, 8 a.m.

Ord. Jan. 6, 9.30 a.m.

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Ord. Jan. 6, 5.30 p.m.

G.P.O.

Reg. Jan. 6, 5.00 p.m.

Ord. Jan. 6, 7.00 p.m.

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G.P.O. & K.P.O.

Parcels Jan. 6, 5 p.m.

Reg. Jan. 6, 5 p.m.

Ord. Jan. 7, 8.30 a.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 7

Manila, Mauritius, Laurence Marques, and South Africa via Durban

3.30 p.m.

Canton Jan. 7, 7 p.m.

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In the first four chapters of his narrative, Fred Hockey, the St Peter Port harbour signaller, described how the Germans took possession of the Channel Islands after the British forces decided to evacuate. He continues his eye-witness account of the occupation in the following chapter. The story is recorded by

DUDLEY BARKER

"Socialism" For Channel Islanders

TO prove that things would be better and happier under Hitler's New Order, the Germans gave the Channel Islands "Socialism" after they had been in occupation for a fortnight.

The German harbour master in Guernsey told Fred Hockey (and Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller who afterwards escaped to England, told me) that Hitler's idea was that there should be no rich or poor, and all men would be equal—except, of course, the Germans.

So it was duly announced in the Guernsey newspapers that henceforward all businesses would belong to the States of Guernsey (which, in turn, of course, though this was not emphasised, temporarily belonged to Germany).

It was not exactly compulsory to hand your business over to the States.

But if you did not, there was nobody in Guernsey who could afford any longer to buy your produce, you could not export it, and you could not draw enough money to pay your employees even if you had it in the bank.

So there was not much choice about it.

"For a week later," said Fred Hockey, "all wages on the island were regulated, too."

Fixed Wages

"It was announced that every single man who was employed—and the Germans saw to it that they were employed if only in forced labour on the airport—would draw 30s. a week from the States.

"Married men would get 38s. a week, with 1s. extra for each child up to the number of five, and 6d. extra for each child over that number.

"Foremen and people who previously owned their businesses received 2s. a week extra, and people with dependent relatives also got a bit more. For instance, my total came to £2 a week because I was a married man and had my daughter to support, although she was adult.

"It's surprising how quickly you can put that sort of organisation into force, providing nobody is allowed to express any opinion about it, and nobody is allowed to argue. They had it running in Guernsey in a few days.

Bank Control

"They appointed overseers for each district to go round and make sure that everybody was working properly.

"Then they set up local court officials in the school-rooms in each parish to pay out the Government wages, which were collected each week by the foreman and owners of businesses.

"People of independent means were no better off, because, no matter how much they had in the bank, they were not allowed to draw out more than their 30s. or 38s. each week, although they did not have to do any work.

"That was why no man could carry on his private business—he could not get the money to pay his expenses. And the Germans, of course, wanted all businesses to be handed over to the States, so that they themselves could control them.

"Most of the Guernsey businesses were glasshouses for growing tomatoes or grapes. The Germans made the growers turn a lot of them over to other crops, particularly maize and beans. It was thought that they wanted the seed to send to Germany, for next year's sowing.

Taken In

"Now this idea of everybody having an equal income, even if it was rather a small income, sounded all right in theory, and some of the more ignorant people got taken in by it at first. I heard several of them say so, in the 'pubs' and sitting on the sea wall of an evening.

"But even those people soon began to realise that things did not work out quite the way they thought they would—everybody working, everybody equal, everybody happy, and so on.

"To start with, the tradespeople soon discovered that everybody in the island did not have an equal income. The Germans had much more than anybody else.

"Now, I can't explain to you exactly how that was worked, because I've been just an ordinary sailor all my life, and I don't understand much about exchange rates, and things like that.

"But this is what happened. The Guernsey people were paid in Guernsey money—that is, the same as English money.

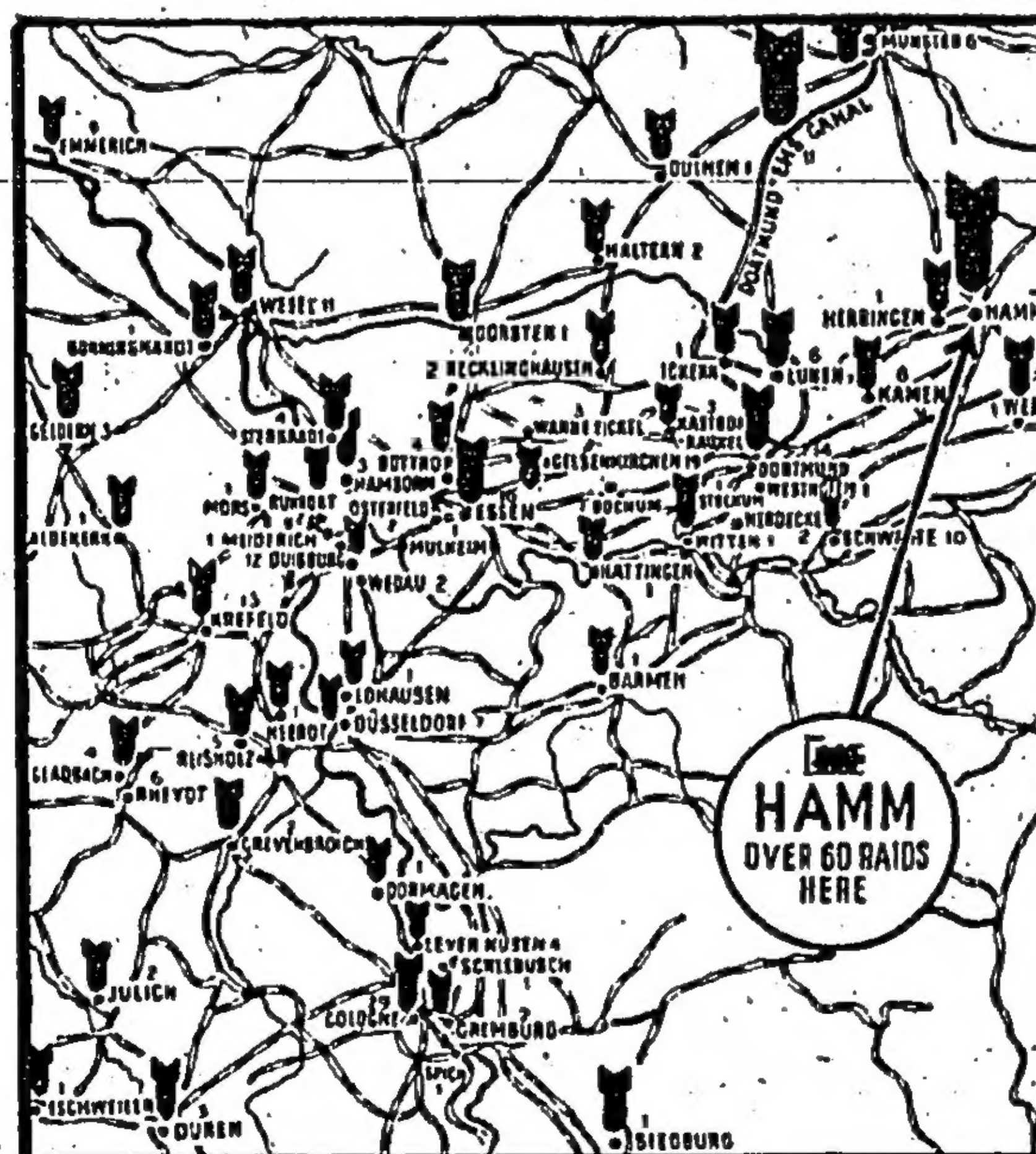
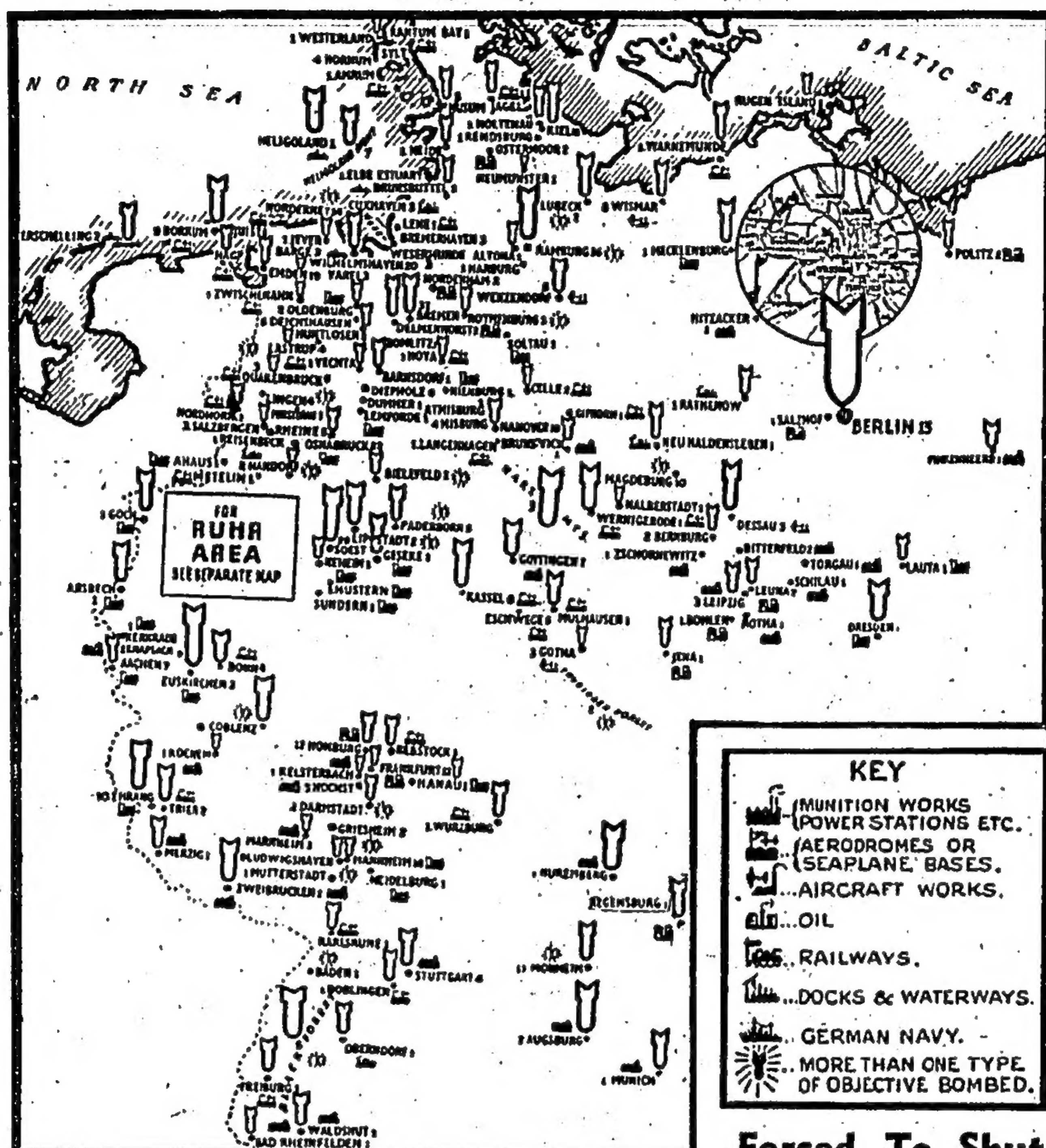
"At the same time the Germans flooded the island with German money. First of all it was marks—they brought from Germany, but a week or two later they started printing them in Guernsey itself.

Nothing To Buy

"The Germans were paid in marks, and the Germans decided how many marks went to the Guernsey pound.

"That was money for jam. That way, it worked out that the German private soldiers were getting £3 a week in Guernsey money, and the N.C.O.s and officers, of course, were rich men.

"Then we began to find out that it didn't matter so much



what our incomes were, but it did matter if there were nothing to buy with them.

"Nothing was imported into the island for the use of the islanders, although the Germans got everything they wanted.

"Cigarettes, now. All the English cigarettes were soon exhausted, and we had to depend on a small local cigarette factory, which, luckily, had a fair stock of tobacco. But when that stock is exhausted there will be no more cigarettes. Except, of course, for the Germans, who have their cigarettes sent in.

Watered Beer

"It was the same with beer. There was a stock of beer in the island, but they would not bring any more in.

"They watered down what beer there was to make it go farther—

and to make it almost undrinkable—but it is bound to come to an end soon. In fact I should think it is probably about, ended by now. That means the Guernsey-men will get no more beer.

"Wines and spirits, of course, were commandeered on the first day and sent to Germany.

"It was rather funny that, at the same time, the Kommandant issued an order that there would be severe punishment for anybody found the worse for drink! That's one order the Guernsey men will never be able to disobey.

"This business of not being able to buy things applied to everything that had to be brought into the island—simply because the Germans were bringing nothing in, except for themselves.

"Shortly before I came away, for example, my daughter went out to try to buy some bananas. She was able to buy one. It cost her fourpence.

"So we watched the result, week by week, of this great German Socialism, everybody equal, that they made such a fuss about in the Guernsey papers.

Forced To Shut

"And one of the first results we saw was this. One by one the shops were closing down, in spite of the German order that business would carry on as usual.

"They were closing because they had exhausted their stocks, they could not get any more, and they had nothing left to sell. Then the shopkeepers went out to work on the land or the airport, for their 30s. a week. That was what my father-in-law had to do, for one.

"The Germans tried to cover all this up by starting a little gaiety.

"They reopened the cinemas, twice a week, and at first they showed one German and one English film. But when they had used up all the English films, they had to be all German films, to which they put English subtitles.

"They also started to show propaganda films.

"A friend of mine went to the cinema one night, and saw 'The sinking of the Ark Royal,' which was supposed to have been taken by the German pilot who 'sank' her.

"The funny thing was that there were a lot of German soldiers in the cinema, and when they came to the propaganda film, most of them yawned and walked out for a drink, coming back when that film was over.

Boycotted Girls

"Another amusement was the dances that were started in St George's Hall after the Germans had been in Guernsey for a couple of weeks. Quite a few of the local people went to those dances.

"Some of the girls, indeed, started walking out arm-in-arm with the Germans in the streets. I suppose it was natural, for the Germans were a smart looking lot, most of them could speak perfect English, and they were well behaved.

"But the Guernsey people never could tolerate it. The girls who were seen walking out with the Germans were banned everywhere. One of them was a friend of my daughter's and she had the impudence to come to my house.

"Clear out of this, I told her, when I found her there, 'we don't want any German girls in this house.' That was the attitude most of the island took towards these girls.

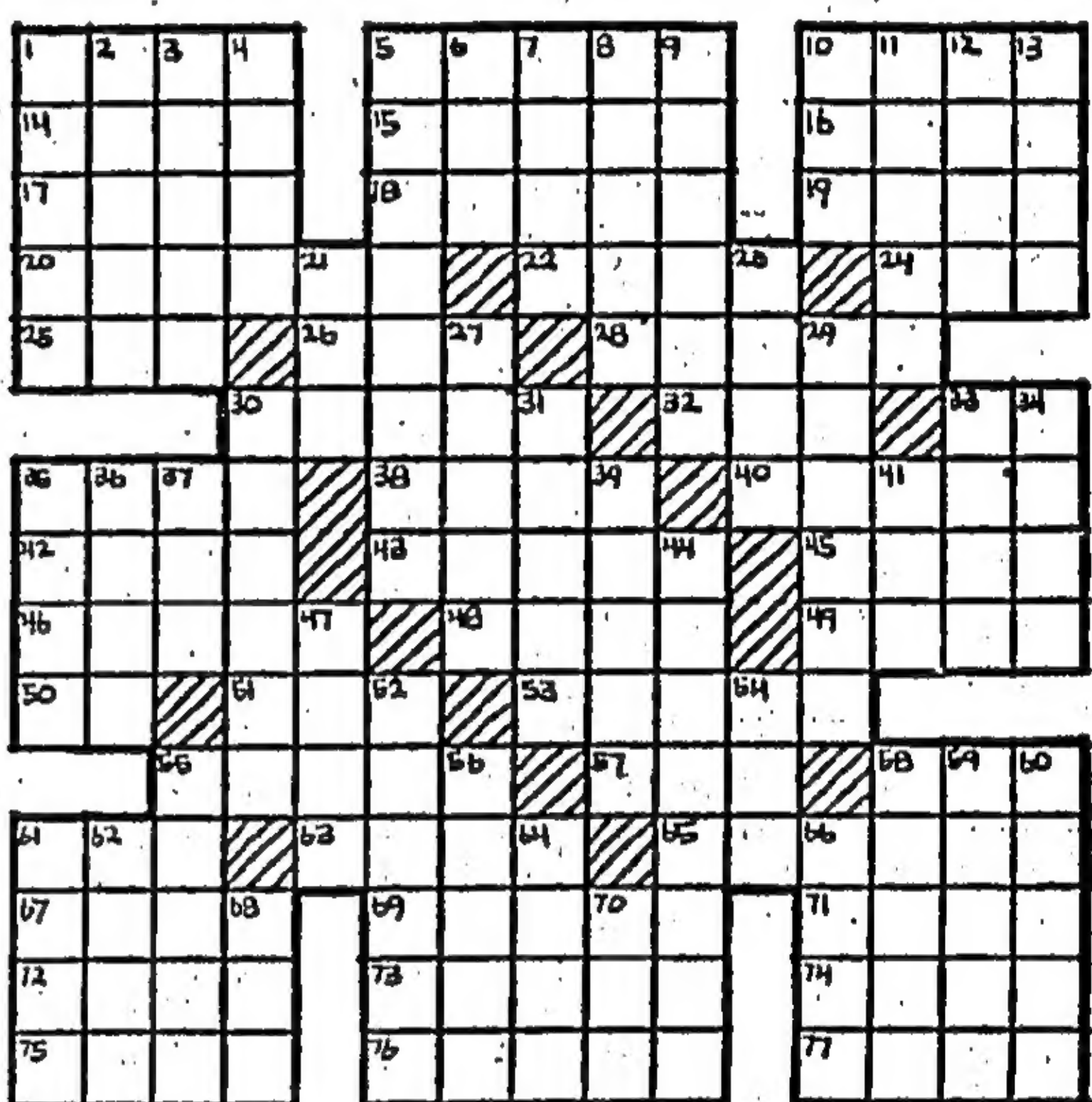
"Mind you, it is the girls we complained about, not the German soldiers. The Germans were under the strictest orders and discipline and, with one exception, they behaved perfectly."

TO-MORROW: STARVATION AHEAD.

Crossword Puzzle

By LAIS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- 1—Take place of
 - 2—Wine measure
 - 3—Unit of area
 - 4—Cresting of mare and donkey
 - 5—South American mammal
 - 6—Dance purely for
 - 7—Widow
 - 8—Lethargy (pl.)
 - 9—Pitcher handle
 - 10—Female relative
 - 11—Dance to court
 - 12—Lair
 - 13—Virtuoso
 - 14—Tall of nerve
 - 15—Lost color
 - 16—Cube used in gambling
 - 17—Upon
 - 18—First king of Israel
 - 19—Short point
 - 20—Of solemn mien
 - 21—Persuade (Spanish)
 - 22—Pertaining to tone
 - 23—Steady and silent
 - 24—Paradise
 - 25—Deal with was
 - 26—Faction saint of sailors
 - 27—All of us
 - 28—Aeriform liquid
 - 29—Sign of error
 - 30—Littering holes
 - 31—Liver
 - 32—Liver in Poland
 - 33—Years of life
 - 34—Ancient Irish clan
 - 35—Shipworm
 - 36—Scollard cow-stable
- DOWN
- 1—Shatter to pieces
 - 2—State article
 - 3—In indicated position
 - 4—Drove
 - 5—Furnish with
 - 6—Crestling
 - 7—West away
 - 8—Press
 - 9—Fence (Latin)
 - 10—Shrub of bettle
 - 11—Worry
 - 12—Palace
 - 13—Dance
 - 14—Worship
 - 15—Birth of March in Roman calendar
 - 16—Cato's brother
 - 17—In anatomy, brain convolutions
 - 18—Wealthy
 - 19—Godness of dawn
 - 20—Jadly illuminated



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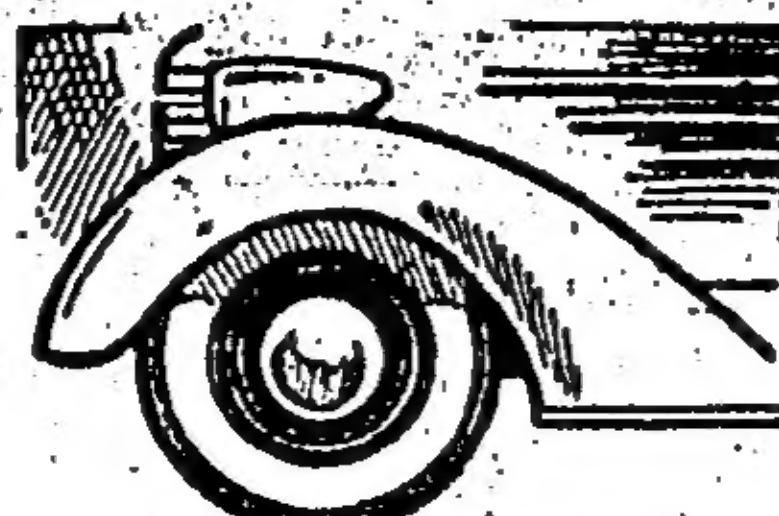
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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must not be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment. What it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it clearly behoves the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts. Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effectuated. The knowledge is dark and harrowing, but it is not for such a day, and there is no doubt, is ready and willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

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THE German-Italian Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet.

That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

THE Axis has functioned in regard to Japan just as it functioned in regard to Italy.

Germany started the war in Poland with the clear understanding that the move would involve Britain and France. Italy entered at the precise moment agreed upon—with the collapse of France. Germany could, it was reckoned, handle France by herself; for the war with Britain she would need

Had the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few

Down Lambeth Way-To-day

by G. R. STRAUSS

(Labour M.P. for Lambeth North)

From New York to New Guinea, Lambeth Walk is known to-day as a typical corner of Cockney London.

Like most other parts of the Metropolis—like, in fact, most urban districts in Britain—it has been bombed savagely.

In telling its story, then, Mr Strauss, whose constituency contains The Walk, is telling the story of all the great centres of population. For they are all the same. The accents may vary, but the talk of Lambeth Walk is the talk of the townsmen of Britain.

Do you remember the words of the song:—

"Everything free and easy,
"Do as you darn well please."

Of course the "Walk," as we in Lambeth always call it, was in reality never a bit like that, and it certainly isn't a bit easy, and a thousand regulations prevent you doing "as you darn well please."

"Why don't you make your way there,"
"Go there, stay there. . . ."

There's nothing to prevent you making your way there, and if you care to know what the "Walk" is like to-day, I invite you to do so in my company. I doubt, though, whether you will want to stay there.

THEN AND NOW

But you must first know what the "Walk" was like before the war.

A long, narrow, rather mean street, lined with shops and stalls, where the neighbouring housewives did their marketing because the goods were cheap and one was bound to meet a friend or two with whom to gossip.

The "Walk" was a social and shopping centre of a poor working-class district. Only on Saturday nights did it come near to the colourful and glamorous place of the song.

Then there were bustling crowds, garishly lit by the bright lights from the shop windows and the flares from the stalls, accordion music and laughter bursting from the pubs.

Nowadays on Saturday nights the "Walk" is deserted. You cannot go marketing in the blackout. And even in the daytime much of its colour has gone.

For a bomb landed plumb in its centre, smashed the shop windows almost the whole length, and rough wooden boards now hide the displays that used to brighten the thoroughfare.

This catastrophe did not completely dishearten one shopkeeper. When he arrived the next morning and found his plate glass had disappeared, he remarked to his neighbour: "Well,

expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it clearly behoves the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts.

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there's one thing. I always did hate cleaning my windows."

"Business is bad, because many of those who used to make up the "Walk" crowds have gone. The young men are in the Forces, most of the children are evacuated, and some of the mothers too."

Nevertheless, those who stay are still cheerful, although behind their cheerfulness there is constant anxiety and occasional tragedy.

But if you are in any doubt as to how Lambeth people are standing the strain, come along to the Rest Centre—formerly a college—where those who go are turned out of their homes by an "incident."

LISTEN
Listen to the comment of a shop girl, who, with her family, had been bombed out of her home in the middle of the night. She was busy helping to prepare breakfast for the others.

"I have always wanted to go to college," she said. "And now here I am."

I don't want you to think the people of the "Walk" are indifferent to the discomforts and dangers of the life they live. They are suffering severely.

It is no fun sitting up all night and every night with young children in a crowded shelter. And it's no fun queuing up from early in the afternoon to reserve your place in the basement of one of the big office buildings in the neighbourhood, or in an underground station.

Nevertheless, I have yet to hear a single word which would suggest any weakening of their will to fight on to victory.

And it isn't all contentment and good humour in Lambeth either. There is much resentment, angry

resentment. Against Hitler, of course—for hatred of him is permanent and unshakable—but also against the authorities.

Particularly because of the shortage of shelters, but for many other reasons too.

People who plainly ought to be out of London and were anxious to go found that they did not fall within any Government evacuation scheme. Invalids for example, I know of a bed-ridden woman whose husband wanted to get her away as soon as the severe bombing started.

He found, after applying to various authorities, that there was no provision for her removal. So she had to stay in London, although she could not even get to a shelter at night.

Then there are the old people, who, if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

No wonder there is anger. And, believe me, when the people of the "Walk" are angry they express their feelings in words that are outspoken and vivid, as Herbert Morrison, himself a Lambeth man, well knows. His appointment was in the nick of time. He has already done much to restore confidence.

CARRYING ON

But in spite of all the upheavals of the war and the folly of the authorities, Lambeth Walk carries on. Placed on the boards which take the place of smashed shop windows, are notices which say, "Business as usual."

Nor have the people lost their Cockney wit. As I passed the shop next to the one destroyed by the bomb, the owner looked at the rubble, piled feet high in the front of his premises, and asked me as I passed, "Can you lend me a Hoover, Mr Strauss?"

Drabber and rather battered, its people fewer and their lips a little tighter, but their spirit unchanged—that is what you would find now. "If you go down Lambeth way. . . ."

United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

weeks' "blitzkrieg" after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been invoked at this moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern possessions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up between the three Axis partners.

Now, by the roundabout route of Japan, Germany and Italy manage to send what amounts to an ultimatum to the United States.

If the U.S.A. moves in Europe or joins the war on the side of any Axis enemy, all three Powers regard her as an enemy.

If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being.

THE Battle for Britain is not only a battle for an overcrowded scrap of geography.

The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, just as the Battle for France with Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the seaways to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

If the European Fascist Powers control the Atlantic from Europe, and Japan controls the Pacific from Asia, the United States will be penned in by the oceans and will be finished as a great Power. We shall either accept this dictum or not accept it. Not accepting it will mean war, and war alone, by ourselves.

The Axis is ingenious in revealing who its enemies really are at just the right moment.

Also, the European end of the Axis may greatly hope that our attention will now be diverted to the Far East—our attention and our defence effort. I hope we are not so easily diverted.

The United States stands or falls in the Far East with Great Britain. We stand or fall in both the Atlantic and the Pacific with Great Britain.

The disposition of affairs in the Far East will depend upon the outcome in Europe and in the Atlantic. Japan knows this—otherwise, why the Axis and why the new pact?

What the minimum German

war aims really are is ingeniously revealed by Dr Schacht, who is writing down a blueprint for the new World Germanica, in a book to be published at the right moment.

Dr Schacht announces quite simply that the real objects of this war are the breaking of the "plutocracies"—namely, Great Britain and the United States.

THE Japanese angle reveals itself in the plan that after this war the United States is to have no interests whatsoever, commercial or otherwise, in the Pacific.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

We are to be allowed to trade only through a monopolistic import-export syndicate, to be set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Europe, and merge the banking systems; but Germany will keep the rubber mark for merchandise and tourist trade.

The debts of all Germany's vassals will be recognised in principle, but will be paid in goods.

For Latin America, which lives by exports, this system will mean economic strangulation or collaboration, and we shall eventually have the Axis at our gates.

The U.S.A. needs Allies. It needs them immediately and desperately. We ought to reverse our limited thinking.

It is not and never has been a question of whether the British Empire needs us; it is a question whether we need the British Empire. We do.

If Britain is defeated, we shall be alone against the world. Invaded or not invaded, we shall live on the terms of the conquerors and be back where we were in 1776.

Finally, America's defence programme is utterly inadequate. It will not be adequate until we recognise a state of emergency and mobilise the entire man power, machine power, and money power of the country for defence, letting everything else take second place.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"Can you wait? . . . I expect a phone call any minute!"

"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Dignus by Dignity by Gainsborough out of Lady Mecca by Tactlet from Device by Woorak) and the pony is now named Gloaming and belongs to Mr. E. T. Tong.

The second highest bid was \$6,000 paid by Mr. Li Lan-sung for a bay gelding (No. 25 by Furr by Farman from Dame Perle out of Bount by Buckwheat by Martagon by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly) and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,746 each, and the Club came out of the frying pan with a new profit of \$1,500 per moke.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a cer-

tain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony substitutes without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigrees, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the club, I found that griffin No. 26 has "good blood," the dam being Bount by Buckwheat by Martagon by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly. It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bit of that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony, the Australian Griffins, a number of which were imported by the Jockey Club and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maiden Stakes and the Austral Trial Plate on the first day; Austral Black Rock Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Chater Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopetree Stakes and Austral Grand Stand Stakes on the fourth day; and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 19 events limited to the Australia Subs of 1941 of which 113 were drawn as against 62 last year.

DERBY DAYS

The Hongkong Derby will be run

on the second day and the Rooty Hill Derby and Sports Club Cup on the third day.

The Australian Champions and Hongkong Champions will take place on the fourth day, while the Professional Cup and Australian Subscription ponies Champions will be held on the last day.

Twelve races will be held on each of the first four days commencing at 11.30 a.m. with the usual 15 min interval at 1.30 p.m. Racing on the fifth and final day will start at 2 p.m. and will comprise only nine events.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Royston" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless a fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world.

In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cyllene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France and America via Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, Ajax and Teddy; last year in England, 125 direct descendants of this famous horse, sired 546 winners of 661 races carrying £276,600 out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £824,010 in stakes and—all this from an equine beast whose grandam was purchased as a lady's hack for 18 gns.

Now for the story. In 1875 the recently-created first Duke of Westminster paid £14,000, which in those days was an almost unprecedented price, for a horse called Doncaster. Bred at Sledmere and blessed (7) with the name of All Heart and No Peel, he was bought as yearling by a Mr Merry for 950 gns., and after having his name changed, won the Derby, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Alexandra Plate and other races of £7,510, before being sold by Mr Merry to his trainer, Robert Peck for £10,000 and passed on a day or two later, to the Duke of Westminster at the figure mentioned, and sent to the Eaton Stud, near Chester, where he stood as a stallion at a fee of 100 gns. and a guinea the groom.

At the time of his arrival at Eaton there was a mare there called Rouge Rose, and the mating between the two, as might be expected, resulted in BEND OR; but Rouge Rose cannot be left at that.

Bought for 18 Guineas

IN 1852 a Colonel Pearson, later to become a General, was looking out for a horse for his wife and came across a twelve-year-old mare with a foal at foot, belonging to the then Duke of Grafton, and bought her for 18 gns. and 12 gns. respectively.

The mare was named Ellen Horne; the foal, Paradigm. The latter, who ran twice, bred true winners of £60,417 for Colonel Pearson; among them being the triple-crown winner, Lord Lyon; the One Thousand Guineas and St Leger heroine, Achievement; the Cambridgehire winner, Gardevoir; Cheviot, the dam of the Oaks winner, Jannette; and Paradigm, the direct ancestress of twenty-two classic winners that include such as Ladass, Cicero, Vauluse, Saucy Sue, Book Law and Pay Up.

Meantime Ellen Horne had seen out her days as a hack, and at the age of twenty was mated with the Derby winner, Thormanby, and in due course foaled Rouge Rose, who never ran and was bought by the Duke of Westminster as a twelve-year-old.

So much for Bend Or's breeding. On the racecourse he was unbeaten as a two-year-old, and the following season took the Derby, and the St James's Palace Stakes, winding up his career with successes in the City and Suburban, the Epsom Gold Cup and the Champion Stakes as a four-year-old, and repaying to the Stud with £17,518 to his credit.

Romance of Ormonde

JUST as he was one of the first get of his sire, so Ormonde was one of his, and just as romance centred round his dam so did it round that of Ormonde.

Some time in the autumn of 1844 John Osborne, the Middleham trainer, purchased a mare and her foal from a Mr Minor, of Shrewsbury, for "twenty guineas or thereabouts."

The mare, Annette, need not be bothered with; the foal, to become Annes, made history like Ellen Horne and Paradigm.

Annes bred Miss Annes who was sold to Sir Tatton Sykes, of Sledmere, and for him produced Polly Annes, a miserable undersized foal that he gave to his stud-groom on condition that she left the stud.

Polly-Annes grew up and foaled Lily Annes, who after winning twenty-one races including the Northumberland Plate, the Doncaster Cup and the Great Ebor Handicap, was sold to the Duke of Westminster, and for him bred the

One Thousand Guinea winner, Farewell to Doncaster, and Ormonde, Osory, Fleur de Lys, and, at the age of sixteen, Scorpion, dam, Ornament, to Bend Or.

Parting of the Lines

WITH Ormonde, who won the triple-crown and many other races of £28,405, comes the parting of the Bend Or line. In his first season as a stallion, he sired Orme, and then after missing a season through illness, was sold to an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a California breeder for £30,000.

But he was a failure as a sire of winners, and left Orme, who won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £32,520 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the West-England, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1900, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 gns. and was exported.

In France he begat the French Derby and Grand Prix de Paris winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Gallahad III, has put the line into such a position in France and in America.

The Line in England

MEANTIME Bona Vista, a half-brother to the Derby winner, Sir Visto, and to Velasquez from Macaroni's daughter, Vestra, who won the Two Thousand Guineas and other races of £5,835, carried on in England, and before being sold to Austria-Hungary sired Cyllene, a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry, but nevertheless scored in the Newmarket Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes, the Ascot Gold Cup and other events of £24,030, became the sire of the Derby winners, Cicero, Lemberg, Minoru, and the filly Tagalle.

The blood of the first three is nowadays seldom seen in the sire-line of a pedigree, but the join-up with present-day sires was made through Polymelus, a good handicapper, with the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridgehire to his credit, who became responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pommern and Fifeella; for the Epsom Derby winner, Humourist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper who begat, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Manna, and the St Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Pharos, but the line is the most prolific one in the country, and though not overburdened with stamina, the most popular.

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to its credit, and Phalaris has done it further honour through victory in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeder would do well to remember his ancestry; the poor and the rich have the same chance in the breeding of them, and all Ellen Horne and Annes to be found; there has seldom been a better time for the bloodstock industry.

From the catalogue of the Hongkong Jockey Club there are a few famous horses of Cyllene (a female who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry), Polymelus, Flying Fox and Cicero (son of Cyllene). They will, of course, be seen in action at the Spring meeting and it is to be hoped that all of them will uphold the dignity of their ancestors.

Stanford Win Rose Bowl Classic

PARADENA, Jan. 1 (UP).—Stanford University emerged triumphant from their American Football Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, winning 16-6 by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight And "Fireworks" From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

Grose and Coombes opened to Baker and Perry, but after Coombes had snicked Baker dangerously for four and two in the first over, he was bowled by the first ball of the second, which seemed to come up from leg. 7-1-6.

Here, however, Club success ceased as Alec Pearce and Grose played the bowling with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from leg, which is not his usual habit.

At 25, Baker was relieved by Knight, and the first time Pearce played a bad shot was when he sent the 40 up with a snick past first slip's right hand. It was bad luck on Perry who was bowling well. At this period only 44 runs had been scored in 50 minutes.

Richardson Bowls

AT 48, Ride, no doubt in an attempt to break up the stand, put on Richardson. I suppose you can choke a cat with cream.

Anyway, 13 came off the first over, though I thought it unkind to make him field long leg when there were some outstanding young fellows in the slips.

The separation came from the other end, as Knight sent down a beauty that just chipped Pearce's pads and went on to his wicket. It came back a lot from the off. 63-2-37.

Richardson's next over was treated with the respect due to a Verity or Grimmett, and only one run came from it. The next over Knight bowled Swyer, 71-3-2.

He took a rest after this, and Baker went on again at the Yard end. Perry also resumed, and his first ball clean bowled Skipwith. 92-4-48.

There was a quiet spell, and Grose seemed to be set for a big innings when he lifted an on-drive from McLeellan (who had relieved Baker) and the latter—folding wide mid-on—shot up his right hand and brought off a wonderful catch. 100-5-57.

As a matter of fact, I am doubtful who were the more surprised—the fieldsmen, the batsman or the spectators.

A Six—But Trouble Later

LAWRENCE had been suspiciously quiet for some time, and I was not surprised when he opened up a bit and hit Perry nearly into the Hongkong Bank. A pretty late cut for a couple and a smack to square-leg for four came from McLeellan's next over, but just as one was hoping for fireworks, he skied one from Haymes (on for Perry) and when the ball eventually came down the bowler caught it. 116-6-54.

Two runs later Head cut McLeellan hard and the catch was smartly taken at second slip by Haymes. 118-7-4.

Batting Gloves

THE score got up to 150 and then Denyer got rather a nasty smack on the hand. From the way in which he lies down so much to hit the ball he is particularly likely to get hit about the hands, and he really ought to wear gloves. It is easy to learn—much easier than learning to wear one's dentist's teeth—and after a bit there is no handicap.

At 102 he cocked a half-hit one to Ride at mid-off off Knight. 102-3-28.

Scoring Continues

ALLANSON (I am told his name should be spelt Allinson, but the skipper spelt it the other way) was batting very steadily. I have not seen him before, but he is a bat with some very nice strokes.

At this point, Club appeared to have completely lost control of the game. However, at 109 Denyer hit a very bad ball from McLeellan to Bona Vista at cover, who judged the catch very well. 180-9-9.

Just after, Allanson was palpably caught at first slip by Haymes off Knight and was on his way to the Pavilion when something happened and he went back.

A few balls later, Bailey was l.b.w. 192-10-1.

And then McLeellan bowled Allanson who had a go. 192-11-28.

Between the innings I found out that the slip catch had been given not out as being taken on the ball.

Though some of the batting side agreed, the score-box view was

upheld by the batsman himself who said it was a clean catch.

The Club Bat

RICHARDSON and Knight opened to Dewar (Yard end) and Finnie. In the former's first over, one crept atrociously outside the off-stump for four byes, and Richardson hooked a four.

Things thereafter proceeded sedately. The innings had started at nine minutes past three. The score rose slowly, and at 33 Coombes went on and had Richardson l.b.w. to his second ball. 33-1-18. Alec Pearce bowled for Dewar.

Runs Come

APART from this, Coombes met with no further success at once. Both Knight and Perry played his good ones and hit his bad ones. The score rose steadily, but the light was none too good as the day, so beautiful in the morning, had greyed over and the temperature was dropping.

With 78 on the board, Head went on for Coombes.

At 96, Perry was bowled by Alec Pearce with a ball he made no attempt to play. He came back about a foot and just touched the off ball. 96-2-51.

Knight's Fifty

KNIGHT completed his 50 soon after tea when Griffiths had joined him. He was square-cutting very nicely, while Griffith put his ears back and drove excellently—hitting very hard and playing the sort of cricket one expects from him but so seldom sees.

With 130 on the board, Skipwith went on at the Yard end—Dewar had already relieved Head at the other. Skipwith was inclined to be on the short side, and Griffiths hooked him excellently—as did Knight.

Coombes relieved him at 160, and Griffiths nearly ran Knight out calling for a sharp single on the off.

However, a little later he hit a beautiful six nearly straight. Sixteen came from the over.

Bad Luck

HE was unfortunate to miss his 50 as he put his leg in front of one who he obviously thought was clear of the

Golf

\$382 COLLECTED AT FANLING FOR "BOMBER" FUND

The first Golf competition for the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by G. M. Park (7) and G. Thompson (20), who tied with three up each and will play off. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Illier (10) and L. R. Andrews (5) two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. L. Lloyd (10) and J. Harrop (10) one up. There were numerous scores of all-square.

Other scores over the New Course were F. N. Merrick (10), Lt-Col E. D. Matthews (10) and T. McGarry (9) two up; Capt. A. C. Drew-Wilkinson (15), S. L. Lloyd (10), G. N. Tate (22) and J. H. B. Lee (11) one up; and numerous scores of all-square.

A cheque for \$382, the proceeds of the competition, has been sent to the South China Morning Post.

sticks, and was given out l.b.w. 181-3-48.

At 5.10, the winning hit was made, and the Club won by 7 wickets. The game, however, continued, and Bailey was given the ball at the Law Courts end, but he could not find a length.

Lawrence, with six men festooned around the boundary, went on for Coombes.

Mostly it was singles, but Knight's one 4 gave him his century. He had taken two hours to get his runs. Stumps were drawn with the score at 236 for 3 wickets.

Remarks

THE highlight of the match was Knight's century in which he hit sixteen 4's. One of the most attractive displays was Griffiths' innings, which was one of fine forcing cricket at a time when runs were needed.

For the losers, Pearce and Grose gave the impression that they were in for a big stand though the bowling was never loose, and they had to play defensive cricket. But once they were gone, only Allanson—or is it Allinson?—seemed to get on top of the bowling, though Denyer played a good offensive knock and his well. The latter did not go on to bowl as his finger was damaged when batting.

The Wanderers' bowling was weak, and the Club, for whom—as I have often said, the Civil Services bowl much better than their own Club—were distinctly better in that department.

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Girl Wife's Bigamy After Separation

Married when she was only just 16, Margaret Patricia Ivy Richards, aged 21, was bound over for two years on a charge of bigamy at Northants Assizes recently.

Prosecuting counsel said she was first married in 1935, but in 1937 there was a separation. In February, 1940, she formed an attachment for Charles Henry Cartledge and went through a form of marriage with him, describing herself as a spinster.

While she was away the second husband made some inquiries, and when he taxed her with a previous marriage she said she had had a divorce.

Thought She Was Free

Proceedings had been entered for divorce, but it was not until June this year, after the second "marriage," that the case was heard.

In her defence it was pointed out that her first husband left her, and in March, 1939, she received notice of divorce proceedings. She heard nothing more for 12 months and thought she was free.

Mr Justice Oliver, binding her over, said the accused was now little more than a girl, and at the time of the first marriage little more than a child.

Farm Wife Freed Of Killing Beggar

A coroner's jury in Desquet, Quebec, fully exonerated Mrs Eugene Laroche, 21, for shooting and killing a 70-year-old beggar who refused to leave her premises, and who allegedly threatened to kill her three children.

"I didn't mean to kill him, only to scare him," the young farm wife told Coroner Dr Joseph Lamontagne. "After he told me he would kill my children, I recited three Ave Marias, then I took the gun and fired."

Mrs Laroche said the beggar, later identified as James Dewing, 70, called at her farmhouse while her husband was absent, and demanded money. She told him she had none, but he remained at the door, mumbling threats, she declared.

The jury returned a verdict of "death caused by a fire-arm, used in legitimate self-defence," and absolved Mrs Laroche from any blame.

Luftwaffe To Help Italy

Rome, Jan. 2. The newspaper *Piccolo* announced to-day that German air squadrons were coming to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin. The paper also announced that the Italian air corps on the English Channel coast was returning to Italy; only one group of chasers would remain at the Channel. *United Press*, *Reuter* adds that the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Air Force, in his order of the day, also declared that German planes were coming to Italy to help the country in its aerial war against Britain.

Show In Aid Of The S.P.C.

Variety entertainment in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children will be given at the China Fleet Club Theatre to-night. David Kossiek, who is producing the show, has called it "Variety" and is helped by a strong cast of artists, many of whom were with him in the successful "Vaudeville" performances recently. There are to be dance numbers (arranged by Nellie Field), vocal numbers (arranged by Freddy Archer), besides several surprise items, so that a thoroughly enjoyable evening is promised. The show begins at 8.15 p.m. and tickets may be obtained at Anderson's.



THE DUKE OF KENT jumping from a plane which carried him to an operational training unit in the North. The Duke saw pilots being trained in Britain's latest fighter machines.

SUNER EXPLAINS HIS CASE

Defends Tangier Action

MADRID, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Reasons for the Spanish occupation of the International Zone of Tangier were given by the Foreign Minister, Sr Suner, in an interview published in the review *Haz*.

Asked what had been the reaction of the other Powers to Spain's action, Sr Suner said that those countries which had been friends of Spain in the civil war reacted in the natural way of real friendship. With others "natural differences" were produced. "One people still very much engaged in war," the Minister continued, adopted an attitude to a certain extent understanding because the reasons for our rights were clear and because their practical sense made them think that the Tower of Babel of Tangier had no interest for anybody.

"Another people whose military valour has not been accompanied by fortune surprised us by its less understanding reaction and argued about unilateral and bilateral rights as if what was a matter of natural right could be a matter of contract."

After referring to the "mere police occupation of Tangier" in June, Sr Suner said that what interested Spain was the entire international agreement by which the great artificiality of the internationalisation of Tangier had been employed which represented a constant aggression against Spain.

Germans Attack Convoys

Sr Suner stated that the difficult situation caused in Tangier at the outbreak of the war was aggravated by Italy's entry into the struggle, adding: "This critical and very dangerous moment required immediate action on Spain's part. Hence the June occupation."

The formal occupation and taking over of the administration in November had in reality already been decided upon before he took office as Foreign Minister, he continued. The time was chosen because someone who no doubt did not properly understand the present realities of Europe wished other forces to share with Spain in the defence of the city. It was when this inexplicable and bold aspiration was made that the decision was taken to make the peseta legal tender, name the Colonel of the Moroccan Troops of occupation Governor of the city, and dissolve the International Police and Administration.

Spain's action at Tangier was an extension based on a natural right, declared Sr Suner. Taken by any other people such action would have violated a natural right and been aggression against Spain.

Asked if the "natural right" was the inspiration of Spanish foreign policy, Sr Suner said: "Each people chooses the road its nature indicates; some choose economic expansion, others a theory of living space, some the seaways of their existence and other strategic doctrines of defence of an empire, and others again the road of a materialistic interpretation of history."

"I shall affirm that the way of Spain is that of the natural right."

Anti-T.B. Work To Be Expanded

Sanatorium Plan

As already reported, proposals for the establishment of a sanatorium for tuberculosis victims, by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association, were discussed at some length at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association held last week.

It was decided finally to appoint a sub-committee consisting of Miss Ruby Mow Fung (Convenor), the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Dr T. P. Wu and Dr N. C. Macleod, to inspect a house in Shouson Hill, available for renting at \$150 per month or for purchase at \$30,000.

The sub-committee was instructed to draw up a detailed report for submission to the Finance and Scientific Sub-Committees, and it was agreed that if the house were considered suitable it should be leased in the first instance, with option to purchase in twelve months.

There followed discussion on the Association's financial policy—"to be or not to be" in debt being the question, and the Committee generally favoured a bold policy. The issue was referred to the Finance Sub-Committee with a request for its opinion and advice.

After a statement by the President, it was decided that the Sociological Sub-Committee's suggestion that free medicines should be provided by Government could not be supported. It was also felt that a further proposal that four nurses should be employed by the Association for following up cases could not be approved, because the financial position did not justify such expenditure and because patients whose names and addresses are submitted to the Deputy Director of Health Services can, in most cases, be seen by Government Health Visitors.

In connection with the survey of living conditions in the Colony now being carried out by the Sociological Sub-Committee, the President agreed to seek the co-operation of the Chinese hospitals, and to approach the Auxiliary Nursing Service with a view to securing the services of auxiliary nurses to assist in filling up forms at clinics.

A suggestion by the Publicity Sub-Committee that street lecturers be employed, was discussed and it was agreed to appoint one for an experimental period of four months.

The Chairman revealed that the Hongkong Chinese Relief Association (through its Chairman, Mr Ho Koon-tong) had given a donation of \$500 to the funds of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association. Those present included the Hon. Mr M. K. Lo (Chairman), Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Sir Shouson Chow, Messrs B. Wille, W. Yinson Lee, Ho Koon-tong, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, the Hon. Dr Li Shu-fan, Dr T. P. Wu, Miss Ruby Mow Fung, and Dr N. C. Macleod.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The New Year opened with a good general demand for scrip, and prices advanced in some cases.

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Sales
Docks "O" \$18.30
Electricity "O" \$40.25
Dairy Farms \$18.80
Watsons \$10.05/70

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Hongkong and Macao

New Year greetings were exchanged between His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, and His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Comdr G. M. Teixeira, according to a communique issued from the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday.

General Norton sent the following telegram: "I wish your Excellency and the people of Macao prosperity and every happiness during the New Year."

The following reply was received from Comdr Teixeira: "With my best thanks for the kind telegram of your Excellency my heartfelt wishes of all prosperity and happiness to your Excellency and to the people of Hongkong in the coming new year."

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Italian Prisoners In India

Bombay, Jan. 2. The first party of Italian prisoners from the Western Desert has now arrived in India. It comprises four generals, 300 other officers, and 627 men.

Except for the four generals all the Italian prisoners were taken to Ramgarh for detention.

An Italian colonel told *Reuter*: "We have been very well treated." The prisoners were escorted from Egypt to Bombay by Indian troops. One general was Second-in-Command of the Italian forces in Libya. *Reuter*.

SIX MONTHS FOR LOOTING

Pleading "Guilty" at the Central Criminal Court recently to stealing a bottle of hair oil, five packets of cigarettes, and a shaving stick, of the total value of 6s. 3d., from a hairdresser's premises damaged and exposed by enemy action, Joseph Oliver, 26, an auxiliary fireman, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He attributed his lapse to having been for 14 hours on continuous fire-fighting.

Passing sentence, the Recorder (Sir Gerald Dodson) said that Oliver's previous good character enabled him to reduce the sentence for an offence which Parliament regarded so seriously as to inflict the death penalty in extreme cases.

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Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service

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effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase, for the duration of the war, American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the Island; two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the road by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done
Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping with the situation, and it was emphasized that whatever quarter was responsible for the impasse, it was essential that something should be done to remove the constant and continued irritation to the residents of Kowloon, which the inadequate bus service involved.

It was pointed out that the failure to provide for the replacement of unserviceable vehicles in due time, not only detrimentally affects the interests of the Bus Company themselves, but also gives rise to a grave danger of the transport services on the peninsula being seriously dislocated in the near future, a situation which might have vital repercussions in the event of an emergency. As the question generally is of paramount public importance, it was decided to draw the attention of Government to the matter.

Other business dealt with at the meeting was of a routine nature. Those present were—Mr. Lam Ming-fan, President; Mr. D. W. Munton, Vice-President; Mr. F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. S. G. Kirby-Gomes, Major C. M. Manners, Li Col E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, Messrs R. Pestonji, D. O. Silver, J. N. Sweeney, C. E. Terry, and D. Wylie. Apologies for absence were received from Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida, Castro, Rev. J. R. Hughes, Mr. I. N. Murray and Mr. R. A. da Silva.

LATE NEWS



KING MICHAEL kissing his mother, Queen Helen, on her arrival in Rumania after years of exile. She arrived at the frontier station.

The First Bombs Of New Year

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One British Vickers-Wellington was brought down.

Lone Dawn Raider

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The very slight enemy air action to-day has been confined to the coastal districts.

An Air Ministry communique states that little damage and only a few minor casualties were caused by bombs which were dropped in a town in Kent.

Reports received since this morning's communique, it is added, show that a small number of persons were killed when a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs in a town in the west of England shortly before dawn this morning.

Italy Retires From Battle Of Britain

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Mussolini has been forced to accept. It is well-known that Mussolini has always been most reluctant to accept such German "support."

If it comes to attempting to explain the matter away, the Italians will probably try to suggest that it is merely *quo pro quo* for the assistance given by Italy to Germany by sending some Italian planes to Belgium for attacks on Britain.

It looks as if an effort is being made to break the news gently to the Italian public and to prepare them for the presence of large German air strength on Italian soil.

RED ARMY CHANGE

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—General Shadankov, Deputy Commander of Defence, has been relieved of his post.

TO FIGHT AIR RAID FIRES

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Immediate formation of fire and bomb fighting parties in business and residential districts shows signs of being satisfactory, declared Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, in a statement to-night. Mr. Morrison added that preliminary reports from all regions indicated that without waiting for the approach of wardens and firemen a great number of men and women were offering their services either individually or after making up parties among themselves.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIANS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Australian Army Minister, Mr. P. Spender, and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieut-General Sturdee, have arrived at Palestine from Australia on an inspection visit of the Australian Imperial Force.

India And A.R.P.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The question of providing for the safety of important buildings in the city and the surrounding industrial areas against possible air raids is engaging the attention of the Bengal Government.

British Journalist Expelled

LISBON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—W. Lucas, for many years the London "Times" correspondent in Portugal, has been ordered to leave the country within 48 hours on account of an article written by him in an American review. In it he alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.



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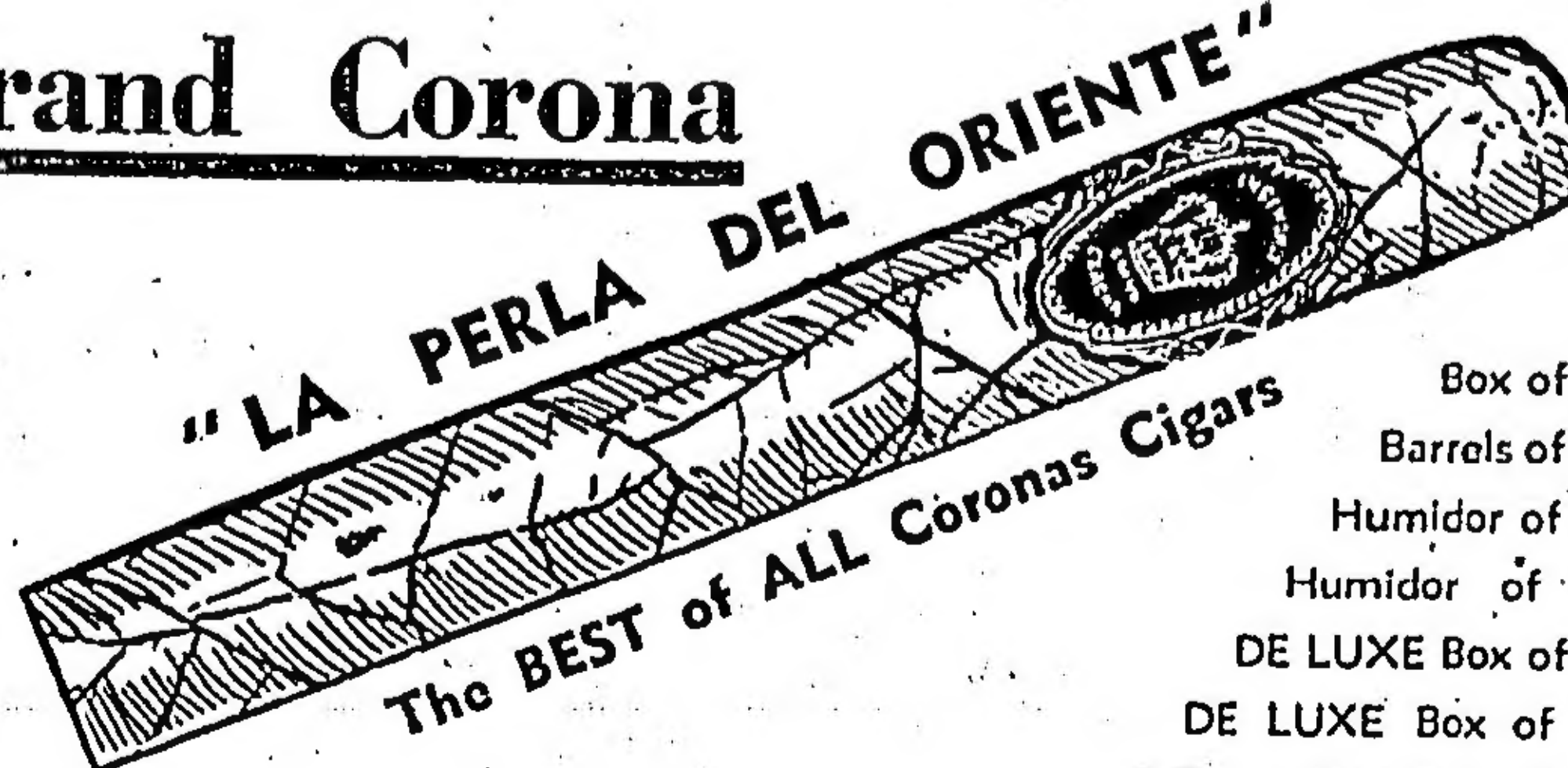
The "Aranta," the first of the Tribal class of destroyers to be laid down in the British Dominions, was launched in Sydney recently. Speaking at the ceremony, Lord Gowrie, the Governor-General, said: "Every rivet hammered into these ships is a nail in the coffin of Hitler and his gang."

TYPISTS PROTEST

The Civil Service Clerical Association in Britain has protested to the Treasury against inquiries now being made about the "efficiency" of short-hand-typists employed at the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the suggestion that they can, where desirable, be replaced from outside the Service.

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LONDON, JAN. 2 (REUTER).—TWENTY THOUSAND INCENDIARIES AND A LOAD OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON BREMEN DURING THE FIRST HOUR OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE BOMBING RAID BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, TURNED THE GREATEST SEAPORT IN GERMANY—AFTER HAMBURG—INTO A RAGING FURNACE.

INTENSE RAIDS ON BARDIA

Smashing Blows By R.A.F.

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force raids on Bardia and Derna, and aerodromes in Timi and Gazala, are announced in a communiqué issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East.

All bombs at Bardia burst in the target area but details of the damage were not observed.

In Italian East Africa, the Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings near Sabderat while other aircraft of the same squadron made a dive attack on enemy positions in Keru 50 miles east-north-east of Kassala, destroying motor transport vehicles, starting a very large fire and silencing several A.A. guns.

From all operations all British aircraft returned safely.

Guns From Sidi Barrani

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Guns captured in the battle for Sidi Barrani and during the advance into Libya total 329 and include 20 heavy and 48 light A.A. guns, states today's communiqué.

The Italian garrison at Bardia shows no signs of activity and is allowing British forces to continue preparations and concentrations without any interference.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts.

Italians Quiet

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué states: "The Italians at Bardia show no sign of activity. The captured guns now total 329 including 20 heavy and 48 light guns."

Meat Ration Reduced In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Ministry of Food announced that the meat ration which is now 1s. 10d. per week will be reduced to 1s. 6d. effective next Monday.

A severe meat shortage developed in London today with some butchers being forced to close their shops because their supplies were exhausted, while other shops announced that their customers would be allotted only 1d. to 1s. 1d. worth of meat, depending on the supplies.

The unprecedented Christmas rush, as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

The First Bombs Of New Year

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The first bombs of the new year crashed in the London area this morning. Heavy high explosives shook one business district. The raiders were heard in London for the first time a few minutes before midnight and the anti-aircraft guns opened up, then a single heavy bomb dropped.

The second night air raid had been without incident with only a single burst and desultory gunfire.

Elsewhere, the attacks were confined to a few fire-bombs in eastern England, although raiders were reported over several Midlands' and northwestern points.

Meet Fierce Barrage

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—At 8.20 p.m. it is reported that German night raiders flew over an eastern town and met a fierce barrage. Incendiary bombs were dropped in another eastern town which also put up a barrage.

The night raid warnings were sounded in London at 7 p.m. with the anti-aircraft guns firing. At 8 p.m. raiders were over southwest and west England and south Wales.

German Version

BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The High Command stated that German planes last night successfully raided numerous important military objectives in central and southeastern England.

Yesterday one British outpost ship was set afire and another badly damaged by a direct bomb hit. Last night British planes bombed factories at three places in northwest Germany, causing some damage, killing five and wounding several.

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Prisoners, Aliens and Women Toil For Reich

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Facts regarding labour wartime conditions in Germany revealed by an official of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, show that despite dictatorial powers, the Nazi Government has not been able to achieve 100 per cent. control of the workers' movement nor to use all skilled labour.

Wages are fixed and it is illegal for employers to pay more, but it appears that a tremendous amount of overtime is being worked. Hours in the factories vary between 10 and 12 daily, and Government has been compelled to make concessions concerning overtime pay. One of Germany's main problems will be transport and distribution and with the effects of the British block-

As the long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command reached the Zuider Zee on their way to follow up the first attacks, they could see a red glow in the sky over Bremen although still 120 miles from their target.

Smoke from the fires reached as high as the clouds and mingled with them, and pilots found the targets they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that rather than waste the bombs on buildings already gutted they sought other factories and dockyards in the city.

Armaments Assailed

It was an intensely cold clear night, and a young moon clearly lit up the targets, chief of which were the great shipbuilding

yards in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction, the Deutsche Vacuum Oil refineries, railway communications, warehouses, rice and starch mills, and the Focke-Wulf air frame factory.

To defend Bremen, the Germans used all the ground defences they could muster and the R.A.F. pilots reported formidable anti-aircraft fire.

Holland Bombed

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The official news agency's correspondent at The Hague reports that R.A.F. planes last Tuesday night dropped a large number of incendiary and explosive bombs throughout Holland. Many houses were struck.

Channel Ports Hit

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Flashes and flares in the sky and muffled explosions from the direction of the French coast to-night indicated that R.A.F. bombers had struck the low weather conditions in the Straits of Dover to attack again the German invasion ports.

Many searchlights between Calais and Boulogne probed the heavy banks of low clouds.

HONGKONG PAYS UP

Salaries Tax Revenue Exceeds Expectations

"The revenue from taxation on salaries has exceeded expectations, but we are still very much in the dark as regards taxation on profits etc.," stated Mr. A. G. Clarke, Commissioner for War Taxation this morning to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The first assessments were sent out last June, these being confined to a few individuals who were leaving the Colony.

The department commenced to function on April 1, 1940 with a skeleton staff of eight clerks. Two examiners arrived shortly afterwards, and Mr. Ceylan and these were later joined by three others, but the department is still short of two examiners, who are expected to arrive any day from Home.

"We are making fair progress and have experienced surprisingly little trouble in the collection of taxation. There has been a good deal of public co-operation," he concluded.

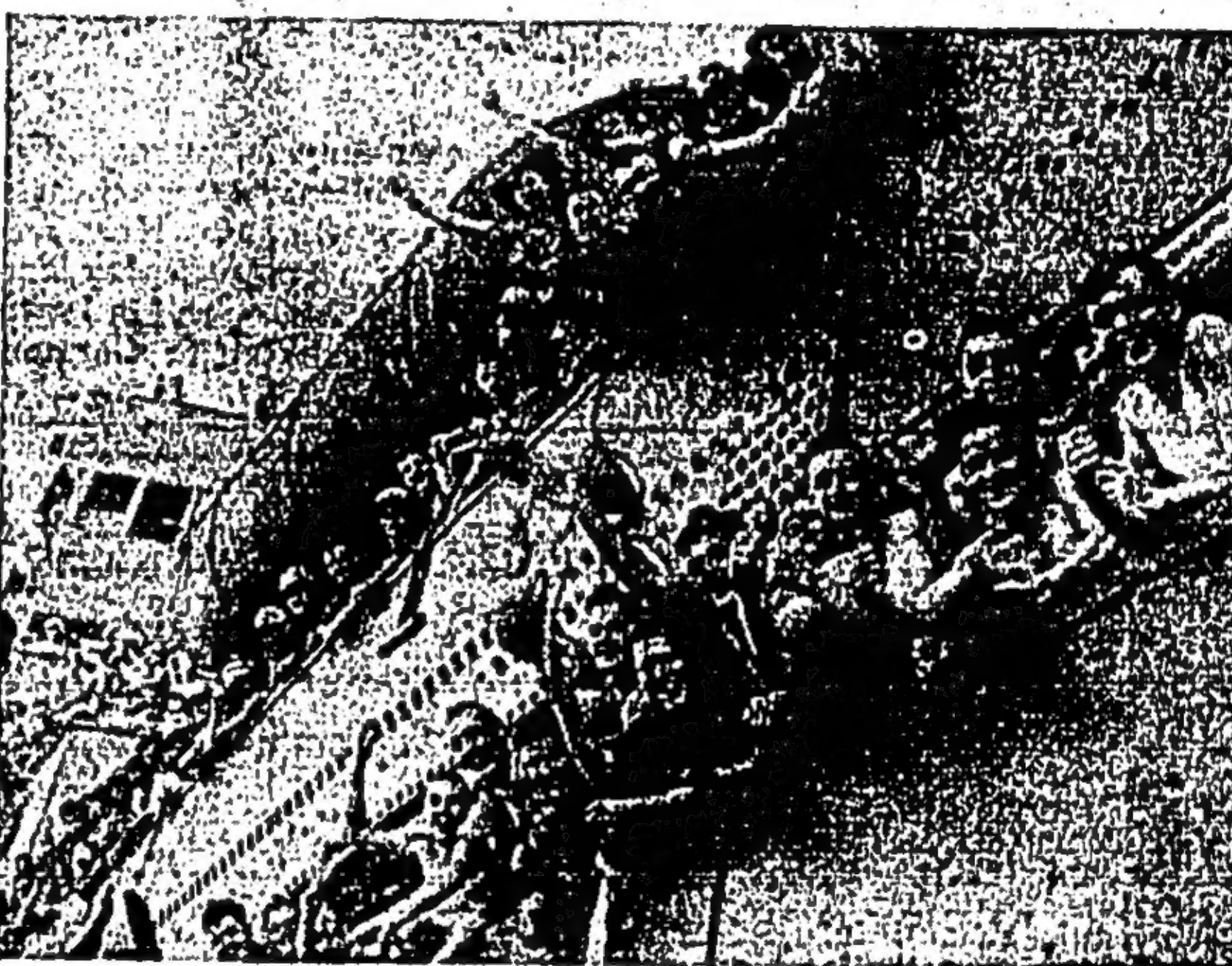
Spitfire Funds

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Lord Beaverbrook, Minister of Aircraft Production, today gratefully acknowledged:

£7,500 from the "Times of Ceylon" Spitfire Fund, which has now contributed about £20,000; £5,000 from the B.B.C. staff for the purchase of a Spitfire to be named "Aerial."

BELGIAN PRIDE

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—The Belgian army is firmly determined to fight at the side of her British friends and allies until final victory liberates Belgium and King Leopold. M. Gutt, Belgian Minister of Defence, thus replied to the New Year Greetings sent to officers and men of the Belgian army by Capt. Margesson, British Secretary for War, on behalf of the Army Council.



General Antonescu's New Move Military Regime Is Set Up In Rumania

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—What amounts to a military regime has been organised by General Antonescu in Rumania during the past few days, according to the Istanbul correspondent of a Free French agency, who states that this Army Government appears to be superseding the former "Legionary State."

BULGARIA MUST ACCEDE

If Germany Demands Passage For Troops

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
SOFIA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Official sources admitted today that Bulgaria will be forced to consent if Germany demands the free passage of troops across Bulgaria.

The Bulgarians estimated there were over 250,000 German troops in Rumania and another 250,000 in Hungary; however, reliable quarters close to the Axis said that there were nearly 600,000 German troops in Rumania.

Gasholder Canard Of Nazis

British Type Is Safe

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—In a recent communiqué the Nazis claimed that during a raid on Britain a gasholder exploded. The type of gasholder used in Britain does not explode. The worst that could happen is that the escaping gas could ignite.

On the other hand many of the German gasholders are of the waterless type in which pressure is maintained by a piston inside the holder. Damage to the casing or piston of a German gasholder might lead to air mixing with the gas with the possibility of a real disaster.

TAKING PART IN THE BATTLE OF LIBYA

Here are some of the British reinforcements which arrived recently in Egypt to take part in the present Battle of Libya. Top picture shows contingents of the R.A.F., landing from their transport, and below, a happy group of British tommies getting their first glimpse of the Middle East.



DEMAND APOLOGY FROM JAPANESE

Firm Stand By U.S. Marines

PEIPING, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—A demand for a full apology by the Japanese for the incident which occurred in Peiping on Monday when some United States Marines were detained by Japanese police is being made by Col. S. H. Turnage, Commandant of the United States Marines here.

It is alleged that four Marines were beaten during their detention and two were forced to sign a confession of guilt. Col. Turnage is also demanding the punishment of the Japanese gendarmes and officers concerned in the arrests, and an assurance that similar acts will not occur in the future.

Falling such an assurance, he adds, the incident cannot be regarded as closed.

The trouble giving rise to the demand occurred in a cabaret in Peiping when it is alleged that a Japanese civilian attempted to pick a quarrel with one of a party of American guards at whom he pointed a revolver. The Japanese was disarmed by the Marines and later the place was surrounded by Japanese gendarmes who arrested the whole party of Americans and detained them.

The Commandant made repeated applications for their release, which took place 17 hours later. The Japanese authorities then declared the incident closed, but the Commandant disagreed, demanded a full apology and reported the incident to Washington.

Another Valona Raid
STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports reveal that six Greek and British planes yesterday bombed and damaged the port works at Valona, hitting and setting fire to an Italian ship in the harbour.

The same planes then bombed the Italian barracks at Kanina, three and a half miles southeast of Valona, killing two officers and eleven soldiers, and wounding twenty others.

Metaxas' Message
ATHENS, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—"We begin 1941 resolved to fight to the last breath until the enemy has been exterminated," declared General Metaxas, the Greek Prime Minister, in a New Year message to the Greek people.

"We begin 1941 in the knowledge that our struggle will be long and hard and that we shall suffer, but we are determined that we will endure all in order to bring our struggle to a conclusion worthy of our Greece."

Stabilising China's Currency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, told the press today that he hoped to complete within the next few days, detailed arrangements for the fulfilment of the \$50,000,000 Chinese currency stabilization agreement.

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DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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In the first four chapters of his narrative, Fred Hockey, the St Peter Port harbour signaller, described how the Germans took possession of the Channel Islands after the British forces decided to evacuate. He continues his eye-witness account of the occupation in the following chapter. The story is recorded by

DUDLEY BARKER

"Socialism" For Channel Islanders

TO prove that things would be better and happier under Hitler's New Order, the Germans gave the Channel Islands "Socialism" after they had been in occupation for a fortnight.

The German harbour master in Guernsey told Fred Hockey (and Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller who afterwards escaped to England, told me) that Hitler's idea was that there should be no rich or poor, and all men would be equal—except, of course, the Germans.

So it was duly announced in the Guernsey newspapers that henceforward all businesses would belong to the States of Guernsey (which, in turn, of course, though this was not emphasised, temporarily belonged to Germany).

It was not exactly compulsory to hand your business over to the States.

But if you did not, there was nobody in Guernsey who could afford any longer to buy your produce, you could not export it, and you could not draw enough money to pay your employees even if you had it in the bank.

So there was not much choice about it.

"For a week later," said Fred Hockey, "all wages on the island were regulated, too."

Fixed Wages

"It was announced that every single man who was employed—and the Germans saw to it that they were employed if only in forced labour on the airport—would draw 30s. a week from the States.

"Married men would get 38s. a week, with 1s. extra for each child up to the number of five, and 6d. extra for each child over that number.

"Foremen and people who previously owned their businesses received 2s. a week extra, and people with dependent relatives also got a bit more. For instance, my total came to £2 a week because I was a married man and had my daughter to support, although she was adult.

"It's surprising how quickly you can put that sort of organisation into force, providing nobody is allowed to express any opinion about it, and nobody is allowed to argue. They had it running in Guernsey in a few days.

Bank Control

"They appointed overseers for each district to go round and make sure that everybody was working properly.

"Then they set up local court officials in the school-rooms in each parish to pay out the Government wages, which were collected each week by the foreman and owners of businesses.

"People of independent means were no better off, because, no matter how much they had in the bank, they were not allowed to draw out more than their 30s. or 38s. each week, although they did not have to do any work.

"That was why no man could carry on his private business—he could not get the money to pay his expenses. And the Germans, of course, wanted all businesses to be handed over to the States, so that they themselves could control them.

"Most of the Guernsey businesses were glasshouses for growing tomatoes or grapes. The Germans made the growers turn a lot of them over to other crops, particularly maize and beans. It was thought that they wanted the seed to send to Germany, for next year's sowing.

Taken In

"Now this idea of everybody having an equal income, even if it was rather a small income, sounded all right in theory, and some of the more ignorant people got taken in by it at first. I heard several of them say so, in the 'pubs' and sitting on the sea wall of an evening.

"But even those people soon began to realise that things did not work out quite the way they thought they would—everybody working, everybody equal, everybody happy, and so on.

"To start with, the tradespeople soon discovered that everybody in the island did not have an equal income. The Germans had much more than anybody else.

"Now, I can't explain to you exactly how that was worked, because I've been just an ordinary sailor all my life, and I don't understand much about exchange rates, and things like that.

"But this is what happened. The Guernsey people were paid in Guernsey money—that is, the same as English money.

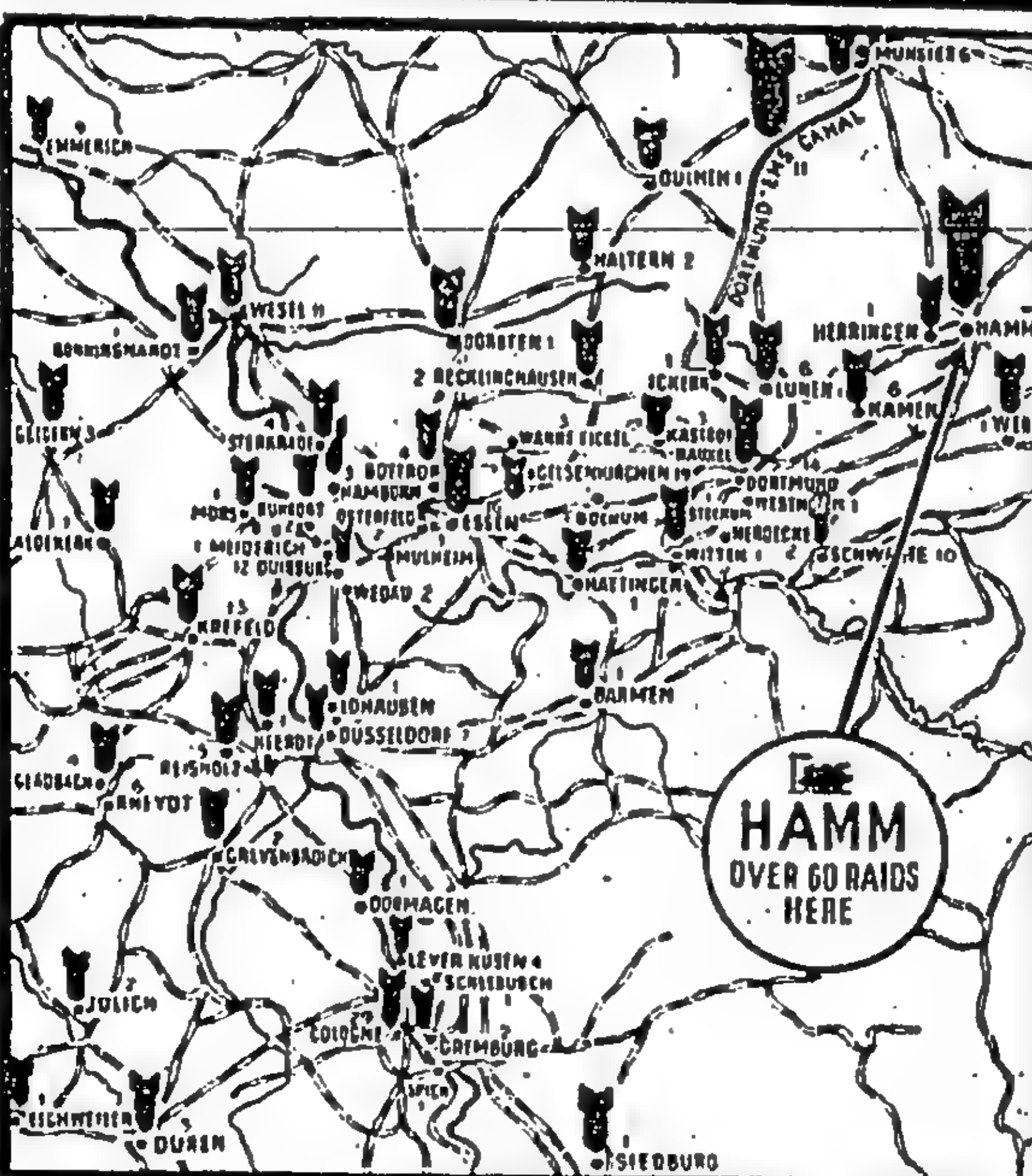
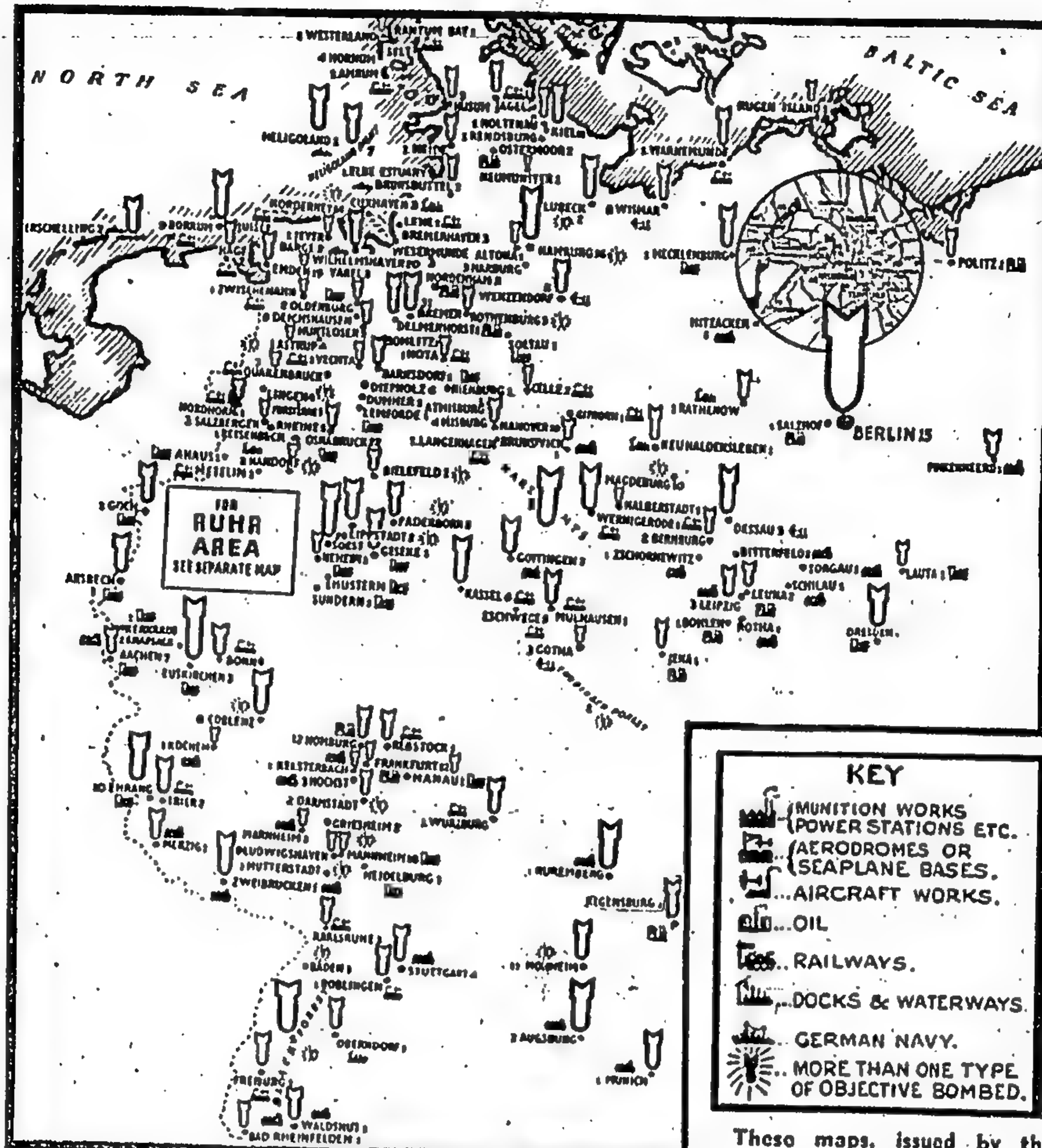
"At the same time the Germans flooded the island with German money. First of all it was marks they brought from Germany, but a week or two later they started printing them in Guernsey itself.

Nothing To Buy

"The Germans were paid in marks, and the Germans decided how many marks went to the Guernsey pound.

"That was money for jam. That way, it worked out that the German private soldiers were getting £3 a week in Guernsey money, and the N.C.O.s and officers, of course, were rich men.

"Then we began to find out that it didn't matter so much



These maps, issued by the Ministry of Information, show clearly the chief objectives of the R.A.F. raids on Germany. The figures show the number of major attacks made on each area up to September 30. Smaller bombing raids and leaflet and reconnaissance flights are not included.

Hopkeepers went out to work on the land or the airport, for their 30s. a week. That was what my father-in-law had to do for one. "The Germans tried to cover all this up by starting a little party. They reopened the cinemas, twice a week, and at first they showed one German and one English film. But when they had used up all the English films that were in the Channel Islands, they had to be all German films, to which they put English sub-titles.

"They also started to show propaganda films. "A friend of mine went to the cinema one night, and saw 'The sinking of the HMS Royal,' which was supposed to have been taken by the German pilot who 'sank' her.

"The funny thing was that there were a lot of German soldiers in the cinema, and when they came to the propaganda film, most of them yawned and walked out for a drink, coming back when that film was over.

Boycotted Girls

"Another amusement was the dances that were started in St George's Hall after the Germans had been in Guernsey for a couple of weeks. Quite a few of the local people went to those dances.

"Some of the girls, indeed, started walking out arm-in-arm with the Germans in the streets. I suppose it was natural, for the Germans were a smart looking lot, most of them could speak perfect English, and they were well behaved.

"But the Guernsey people never could tolerate it. The girls who were seen walking out with the Germans were banned everywhere. One of them was a friend of my daughter's and she had the impudence to come to my house.

"Clear out of this, I told her, when I found her there, 'we don't want any German girls in this house.' That was the attitude most of the island took towards these girls.

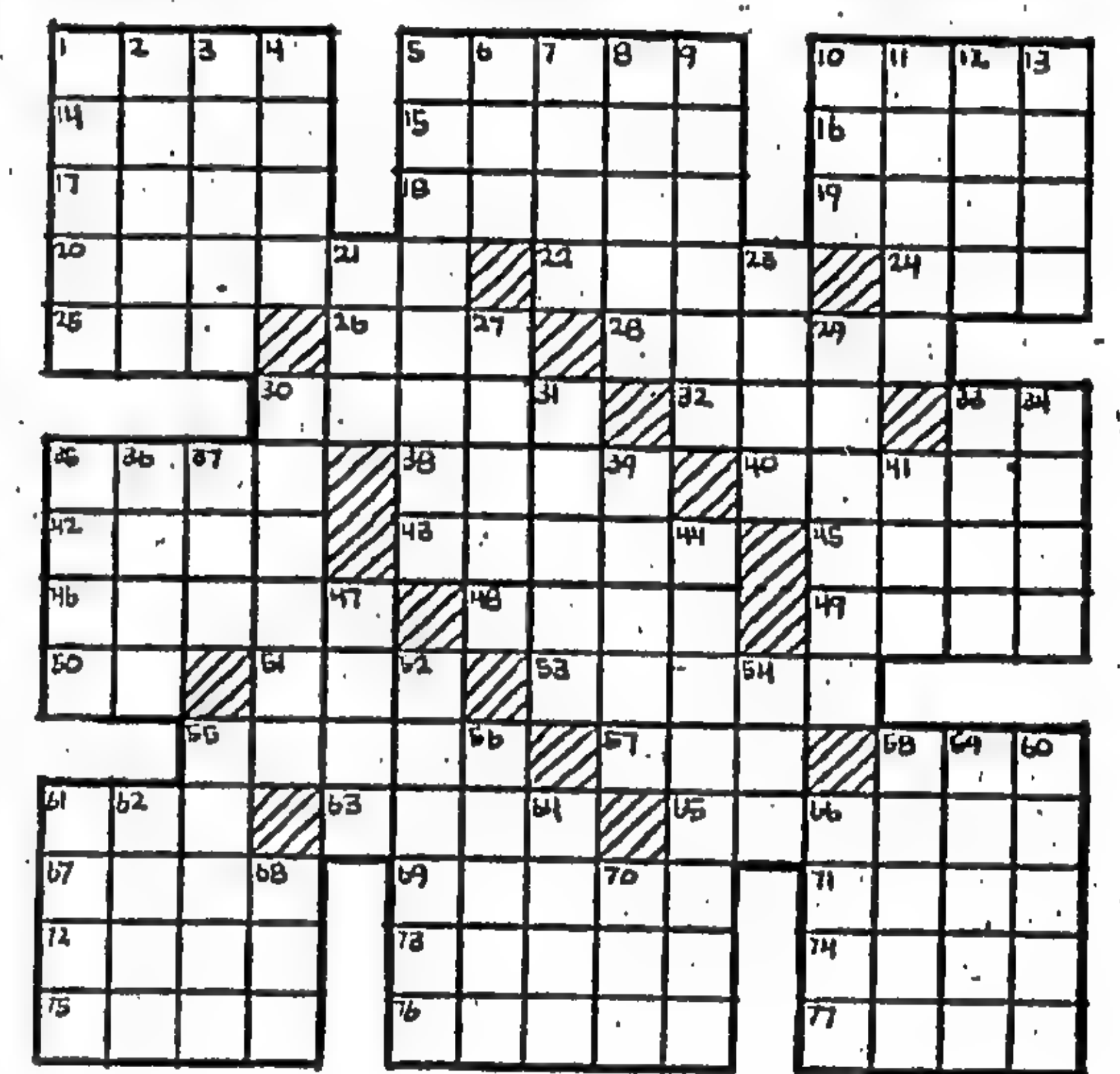
"Mind you, it is the girls we complained about, not the German soldiers. The Germans were under the strictest orders and discipline and, with one exception, they behaved perfectly.

TO-MORROW: STARVATION AHEAD.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

- ACROSS
- 1—Take place of sister (5)
 - 2—Alas! (5)
 - 3—Unit of area (4)
 - 4—Couple of more and donkey (4)
 - 5—Should American mammal (4)
 - 6—Dreams purely for (4)
 - 7—Alcohol (4)
 - 8—Lithary (pl.) (4)
 - 9—Pitcher handle (4)
 - 10—Female relative (4)
 - 11—Summon to court (4)
 - 12—Boots law (4)
 - 13—Lair (4)
 - 14—Very warm (4)
 - 15—Push of nerve (4)
 - 16—Lost color (4)
 - 17—Club used in gambling game (4)
 - 18—Upon (4)
 - 19—First king of Israel (4)
 - 20—Short poem (4)
 - 21—Of solemn main (4)
 - 22—Pineapple (Spanish) (4)
 - 23—Pertaining to tone (4)
 - 24—Moody and silent (4)
 - 25—Paradise (4)
 - 26—Deal with war (4)
 - 27—Patron saint of sailors (4)
 - 28—All of us (4)
 - 29—Aeriform liquid (4)
 - 30—Clear, atrocious spelling (4)
 - 31—Weathering holes (4)
 - 32—Usher (4)
 - 33—Liver in Poland (4)
 - 34—Years of life (4)
 - 35—Ancient Irish clan (4)
 - 36—Ship-worm (4)
 - 37—Scottish cow-stable (4)
- DOWN
- 1—Matter to pieces (4)
 - 2—Rare article (4)
 - 3—In inclined position (4)
 - 4—Stirre (4)
 - 5—Punish with credentials (4)
 - 6—Sound intended to frighten (4)
 - 7—Wine measure (4)
 - 8—Color by use of dye (4)
 - 9—Type of wine (4)
 - 10—Arabic garment (4)
 - 11—Archer (4)
 - 12—Note of Guido's scale (4)
 - 13—Branch of mathematics (4)
 - 14—Without (French) (4)
 - 15—Expression of assent (4)
 - 16—Man who ate no fat (4)
 - 17—Warrior (4)
 - 18—Hath of March to Roman (4)
 - 19—Cain's brother (4)
 - 20—In anatomy, brain convulsions (4)
 - 21—Fast book (4)
 - 22—Oddest of dawn (4)
 - 23—Beady illuminated (4)



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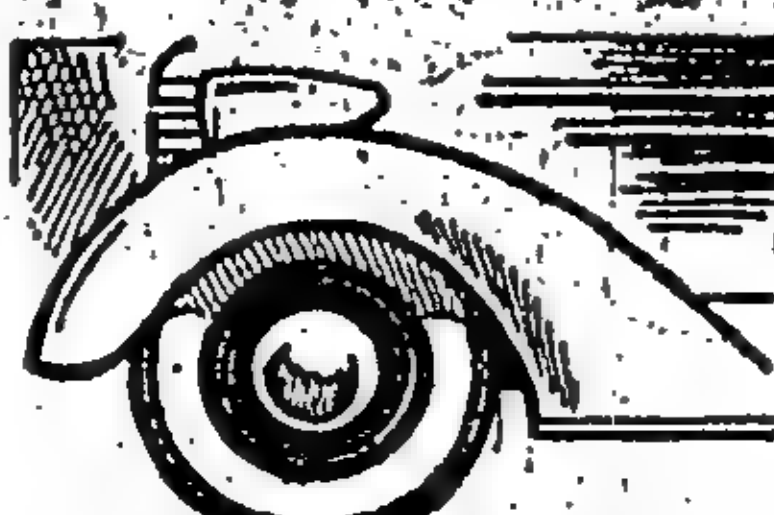
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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment. What it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it clearly behoves the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts. Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effectuated. The knowledge is dark and harrowing, belated days and nights of suffering and anguish; but the country has stood itself for such a day, and there is no doubt, is ready and willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

"If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being"

THE German-Italian-Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet.

That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

THE Axis has functioned in regard to Japan just as it functioned in regard to Italy.

Germany started the war in Poland with the clear understanding that the move would involve Britain and France. Italy entered at the precise moment agreed upon—with the collapse of France. Germany could, it was reckoned, handle France by herself; for the war with Britain she would need Italy.

Had the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few

Down Lambeth Way—To-day

by G. R. STRAUSS

(Labour M.P. for Lambeth North)

From New York to New Guinea, Lambeth Walk is known to-day as a typical corner of Cockney London.

Like most other parts of the Metropolis—like, in fact, most urban districts in Britain—it has been bombed savagely.

In telling its story, then, Mr Strauss, whose constituency contains The Walk, is telling the story of all the great centres of population. For they are all the same. The accents may vary, but the talk of Lambeth Walk is the talk of the townsmen of Britain.

Do you remember the words of the song:—

"Everything free and easy,
"Do as you darn well please!"

Of course, the "Walk," as we in reality never a bit like that, and it certainly isn't a bit easy, and a thousand regulations prevent you doing "Do as you darn well please." "Why don't you make your way there," "Go there, stay there. . . ."

There's nothing to prevent you making your way there, and if you care to know what the "Walk" is like to-day, I invite you to do so in my company. I doubt, though, whether you will want to stay there.

THEN AND NOW

But you must first know what the "Walk" was like before the war.

A long, narrow, rather mean street, lined with shops and stalls where the neighbouring housewives did their marketing because the goods were cheap and one was bound to meet a friend or two with whom to gossip.

The "Walk" was a social and shopping centre of a poor working-class district. Only on Saturday did it come near to the colourful and glamorous place of the song.

Then there were bustling crowds, garishly lit by the bright lights from the shop windows and the flares from the stalls, accordion music and laughter bursting from the pubs.

Nowadays on Saturday nights the "Walk" is deserted. You cannot go marketing in the blackout. And even in the daytime much of its colour has gone.

For a bomb landed plumb in its centre, smashed the shop windows almost the whole length, and rough wooden boards now hide the displays that used to brighten the thoroughfare.

This catastrophe did not completely dishearten one shopkeeper. When he arrived the next morning and found his plate glass had disappeared, he remarked to his neighbour: "Well,

expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it clearly behoves the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts. Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effectuated. The knowledge is dark and harrowing, belated days and nights of suffering and anguish; but the country has stood itself for such a day, and there is no doubt, is ready and willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

there's one thing, I always did hate cleaning my windows."

Business is bad, because many of those who used to make up the "Walk" crowds have gone. The young men are in the Forces, most of the children are evacuated, and some of the mothers too.

Nevertheless, those who stay are still cheerful, although behind their cheerfulness there is constant anxiety and occasional tragedy.

But if you are in any doubt as to how Lambeth people are standing the strain, come along to the Rest Centre—formerly a college—where those who go are turned out of their homes by an "incident."

LISTEN

Listen to the comment of a shop girl, who, with her family, had been bombed out of her home in the middle of the night. She was busy helping to prepare breakfast for the others.

"I have always wanted to go to college," she said. "And now here I am."

I don't want you to think the people of the "Walk" are indifferent to the discomforts and dangers of the raids. Far from it. They are suffering severely.

It is no fun—sitting up all night and every night with young children in a crowded shelter. And it's no fun queuing up from early in the afternoon to reserve your place in the basement of one of the big office buildings in the neighbourhood, or in an underground station.

Nevertheless I have yet to hear a single word which would suggest any weakening of their will to fight on to victory.

And it isn't all contentment and good humour in Lambeth either. There is much resentment, angry resentment.

Against Hitler, of course—for hatred of him is permanent and unshakable—but also against the authorities.

Particularly because of the shortage of shelters, but for many other reasons too.

People who plainly ought to be out of London and were anxious to go found that they did not fall within any Government evacuation scheme.

Invalids, for example. I know of a bed-ridden woman whose husband wanted to get her away as soon as the severe bombing started.

He found, after applying to various authorities, that there was no provision for her removal. So she had to stay in London, although she could not even get to a shelter at night.

Then there are the old people, who, if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

No wonder there is anger. And, believe me, when the people of the "Walk" are angry they express their feelings in words that are outspoken and vivid, as Herbert Morrison, himself a Lambeth man, well knows. His appointment was in the nick of time. He has already done much to restore confidence.

CARRYING ON

But in spite of all the upheavals of the war and the folly of the authorities, Lambeth Walk carries on. Placed on the boards which take the place of smashed shop windows, are notices which say, "Business as usual."

Nor have the people lost their Cockney wit. As I passed the shop next to the one destroyed by the bomb, the owner looked at the rubble, piled feet high in the front of his premises, and asked me as I passed, "Can you lend me a Hoover, Mr Strauss?"

Drabber and rather battered, its people fewer and their lips a little lighter, but their spirit unchanged—that is what you would find now if you go down Lambeth way.

United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

weeks' "blitzkrieg" after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been invoked at this moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern possessions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up between the three Axis partners.

Now, by the roundabout route of Japan, Germany and Italy manage to send what amounts to an ultimatum to the United States.

If the U.S.A. moves in Europe or joins the war on the side of any Axis enemy, all three Powers regard her as an enemy.

If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being.

THE Battle for Britain is not a battle for an overcrowded scrap of geography. The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, just as the Battle for France with Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the seaways to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

If the European Fascist Powers control the Atlantic from Europe, and Japan controls the Pacific from Asia, the United States will be penned in by the oceans and will be finished as a great Power. We shall either accept this dictum or not accept it. Not accepting it will mean war, and war alone, by ourselves.

The Axis is ingenious in revealing who its enemies really are at just the right moment.

Also, the European end of the Axis may greatly hope that our attention will now be diverted to the Far East—our attention and our defence effort. I hope we are not so easily diverted.

The United States stands or falls in the Far East with Great Britain. We stand or fall in both the Atlantic and the Pacific with Great Britain.

The disposition of affairs in the Far East will depend upon the outcome in Europe and in the Atlantic. Japan knows this—otherwise, why the Axis and why the new pact?

What the minimum German

war aims really are is ingeniously revealed by Dr Schacht, who is writing down a blueprint for the new World Germanica, in a book to be published at the right moment.

Dr Schacht announces quite simply that the real objects of this war are the breaking of the "plutocracies"—namely, Great Britain and the United States.

THE Japanese angle reveals itself in the plan that after this war the United States is to have no interests whatsoever, commercial or otherwise, in the Pacific.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

We are to be allowed to trade only through a monopolistic import-export syndicate, to be set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Europe, and merge the banking systems; but Germany will keep the rubber mark for merchandise and tourist trade.

The debts of all Germany's vassals will be recognised in principle, but will be paid in goods.

For Latin America, which lives by exports, this system will mean economic strangulation or collaboration, and we shall eventually have the Axis at our gates.

The U.S.A. needs Allies. It needs them immediately and desperately. We ought to reverse our limited thinking.

It is not and never has been a question of whether the British Empire needs us; it is a question whether we need the British Empire. We do.

If Britain is defeated, we shall be alone against the world. Invaded or not invaded, we shall live on the terms of the conquerors and be back where we were in 1776.

Finally, America's defence programme is utterly inadequate. It will not be adequate until we recognise a state of emergency and mobilise the entire man power, machine power, and money power of the country for defence, letting everything else take second place.

FUNNY SIDE UP

By Abner Dean



"Can you wait? I expect a phone call any minute!"

K.R.A. And Mainland Problems Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service

At the December meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, the question of the procedure to be followed by patients seeking admission to or treatment at Government hospitals, which has been receiving their attention for some time, was finally disposed of.

Investigations proved that most of the complaints regarding the Kowloon Hospital were due, not to the new regulations themselves, but rather to the faulty administration of these regulations, and it was reassuring to note that the Hon. Director of Medical Services had stressed the fact that any complaint in respect of any side of hospital management, treatment, or administration, if made to him at the time or as soon after as possible, would be immediately enquired into, and Dr. Selwyn-Clarke had personally assured the Association that he would closely investigate any such complaints.

It was generally conceded that the fundamental cause of any dissatisfaction with the new regulations or for the need of such regulations, was the inadequacy of hospital facilities in the Colony, and it was decided that the Association should now direct its attention to the possibility of making suggestions or proposals which would tend to assist in improving and increasing these facilities; a special Sub-Committee was therefore appointed with this aim in view.

The report and recommendations of Mr. C. E. Terry were unanimously adopted, and the Hon. Secretary was instructed to express the appreciation of the Association to the Hon. Dr. P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, for the courteous and patient manner in which he has dealt with the representations made to him; at the same time he was directed to record in the minutes a vote of thanks to Mr. Terry for his valuable work and report.

Kowloon Bus Service

As the result of further correspondence with The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd., regarding the congestion on all the main bus routes, this subject again received considerable discussion.

For some time past, there have been constant complaints by the travelling public about the overcrowding and lack of accommodation on the buses, and the Association has made representations to the management of the Bus Company on the matter both by interviews and correspondence. The explanation given by the Bus Company from time to time was that the trouble is mainly due to a shortage of vehicles, owing to the non-arrival of rolling-stock from Great Britain, some of the orders for which were placed even before the commencement of the war.

It has now been definitely ascertained that there is very little prospect of the Bus Company being able to obtain anything like the required number of British-made vehicles from the United Kingdom in the near future.

The management stated that they have made and are making every effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase, for the duration of the war, American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the island; two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the road by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done

Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping

with the situation, and it was emphasized that whatever quarter was responsible for the impasse, it was essential that something should be done to remove the constant and continued irritation to the residents of Kowloon, which the inadequate bus service involved.

It was pointed out that the failure to provide for the replacement of unserviceable vehicles in due time, not only detrimentally affects the interests of the Bus Company themselves, but also gives rise to a grave danger of the transport services on the peninsula being seriously dislocated in the near future, a situation which might have vital repercussions in the event of an emergency. As the question generally is of paramount public importance, it was decided to draw the attention of Government to the matter.

Other business dealt with at the meeting was of a routine nature. Those present were—Mr. Lam Ming-an, President; Mr. D. W. Munton, Vice-President; Mr. F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr. R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr. S. G. Kirkby-Gomes, Major C. M. Manners, Lt. Col. E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, Messrs. B. Pestoni, D. O. Silver, M. Sweeney, C. E. Terry, and B. Wylie. Apologies for absence were received from Hon. Mr. Leo D'Almeida e Castro, Rev. J. R. Higgs, Mr. I. N. Murray and Mr. R. A. da Silva.

INDIAN ANTI-NAZI FRONT Positive Help To Britain

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The formation of a non-Party organisation definitely pledged to support the anti-Nazi front and to assist the war effort, was recommended by the All-India Conference in Calcutta, presided over by Mr. M. N. Roy, a former prominent Communist and now leader of the Radical Democratic People's Party.

The conference considered that there must be rapid development of the war resources of the country and to that end, emergency ministries should be set up in the provinces. It was decided to formulate a programme for consideration by the All-India Convention to be called in Delhi.

PROTEST AGAINST SILK STOCKING SALE BAN

The National Joint Industrial for the hosiery industry, meeting at Leicester recently, strongly condemned the Government for its action in banning the sale of silk stockings and other silk hosiery.

It was pointed out that it would take months to adapt the machinery to other production, causing serious unemployment and loss both to employers and employees.

Protest is to be made to the President of the Board of Trade at the precipitous way in which the Order "has been imposed without consultation with the Joint Industrial Council.

German Bombs Again Kill People In Eire

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—More bombs were dropped on Eire territory early this morning.

High explosive and incendiary bombs dropped last night killed and seriously wounded a number of British people. One of the incendiary bombs picked up was identified as German. Other bombs have been collected and are being examined by experts.

A statement by the Eire Government Information Bureau reporting these bombings, lists six areas in the eastern counties of Eire where bombs were dropped and recorded the death of three women, two persons seriously injured and a number injured.

"On the Curragh race course," says the official statement, "three high explosive bombs were dropped and a large number of incendiary bombs fell in this area. An incendiary bomb picked up near Curragh was identified as German."

The statement adds that the first bomb fell near Drogheda, five at Duleek and three at Julianstown. There were no casualties.

Houses Demolished

At 6.10 a.m. to-day, two bombs were dropped at Rathdown. Park, Terenure, Dublin. Two houses were demolished and several houses were damaged.

Seven persons were trapped in the demolished houses but were later rescued. Several people were injured.

Two other bombs dropped in Fort-stead Road and the Laverina area of the same district. Some houses were damaged but there were no casualties.

Magnetic Mines Dropped

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The fact that magnetic mines were revealed to-night by the Eire Government Information Bureau on behalf of the Department of Defence of the State.

The announcement says: "Magnetic mines dropped by parachute from an aircraft this morning at Glen-Cormack and Endiskerry will be destroyed by army engineers tomorrow."

"It warns occupants of houses within the danger radius to take precautions against explosion.



NAZI SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED

AN official photograph of the bombing of a German supply ship by the Fleet Air Arm. The ship, one of about 2,500 tons—was lying at Haugesund when attacked. More than one direct hit was registered.

To Fight Air Raid Fires

Executive Body Named

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister has approved of the immediate establishment of a special organisation to be called the "Fire Prevention Executive" to secure prompt and vigorous action by various Government departments and authorities in applying effective measures in fire prevention in the target areas.

The new organisation, which will include responsible representatives of all Government departments concerned with the many aspects of the problem of fire prevention, will work in close association with the Minister of Home Security.

There will be the fullest possible delegation of responsibility to regions and to smaller areas within regions, and appropriate arrangements will be made for the supervision of work in Scotland.

The Postmaster General, Mr. W. S. Morrison, will preside over the meetings of the new executive.

Apportioning Task

The new committee will apportion the task of fire-watching. The Ministry of Aircraft Production, the Ministry of Supply and the Admiralty are among those whose special responsibility will be for their own factories.

The Ministry of Home Security will assume responsibility for all buildings, public, private and industrial, which do not come within the scope of other departments, and the homes of the whole civilian population will come under its wing.

Immediate Response

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—"The response to my appeal for the immediate formation of fire and bomb fighting parties in business and residential districts shows signs of being satisfactory," declared Mr. Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security in a statement to-night.

Mr. Morrison added that preliminary reports from all regions indicated that without waiting for the approach of warden and firemen a great number of men and women were offering their services either individually or after making up parties among themselves.

Gale Capsizes Boat

BOMBAY, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—At Noolhall (Bengal) 18 lives were lost as the result of the sinking of a boat in the channel between Chittagong and Sandwip Island.

The boat, which was carrying 22 passengers, was caught in a gale and capsized in midstream.

Stern Australian Judgment On Spies

CANBERRA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Traitors or spies will earn the death penalty if caught in Australia, declared Mr. W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, in an interview to-day.

Mr. Hughes added: "If any traitor believes that a term of imprisonment will follow his detection, he is very much mistaken."

Italy Retires From Battle Of Britain

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—An Italian news agency message confirms that remnants of the Italian air contingent which have been operating with the Luftwaffe against Britain, have been withdrawn.

This news is contained in an announcement that General Kesselring, Commander of the German air force in the west, has conferred the Adlerschild (Eagle Shield) Trophy, which he himself created, on the Italian Corps.

The award, according to the agency, was bestowed on the occasion of the "reparation" of the Italian Corps, to whose commander General Kesselring wrote, thanking them for their effective collaboration in the fight.

Only a group of Italian fighters will remain in the Channel as a link "testifying to the continuance of solidarity between Italian and German aviation."

Nazis To Aid

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Jan. 2 (UP).—It is understood that the German planes which will be assigned to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin will be complete, in every detail, including land crews, machine shops and repairmen; however, they will be under the Italian High Command.

It is understood that this involves several hundred planes.

The Italian newspaper Piccolo in an order of the day, said: "The German corps must be considered as a large Italian unit. I fervently greet our German comrades while they are preparing to fight in our skies for a common victory."

Duce Accepts Help

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The announcement of the presence of a contingent of the German air force in Italy means that to a greater or lesser degree Mussolini has surrendered control over his air force to Germany.

This is the view of well-informed air circles in London.

The news has not come altogether as a surprise. The extent of the surrender of control will be proportionate to the measure of assistance Mussolini has been forced to accept. It is well-known that Mussolini has always been most reluctant to accept such German "support."

If it comes to attempting to explain the matter away, the Italians will probably try to suggest that it is merely quo pro quo for the assistance given by Italy to Germany by sending some Italian planes to Belgium for attacks on Britain.

Chinese Successes In Shansi Reported

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Chinese have attacked with considerable success the Japanese lines of communication in Shansi and Hupeh, says the Moscow radio.

These lines of communication supply the Japanese garrisons in these provinces and were recently greatly strengthened.

The attacking Chinese troops were followed by a large number of civilians who picked up war material, notably railway lines, and carried

BRITISH SCHOOLS New Post-War System

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Britain is determined to continue her educational reforms when the war is over, Mr. H. Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, told a conference of school teachers to-day.

Immediately after the war is over, the school-leaving age will be raised from 14 to 15 in accordance with the Education Act of 1939.

The Board will aim at compulsory education up to the age of 18 but various courses of teaching will have to be devised to suit the capacities of the children.

The Minister assured school teachers that the mistakes made after the last war will not be repeated. There will be great changes in the social and economic life of the country, changes which will have a profound effect on children between the ages of 14 and 18.

Now is the time to lay down plans for far-reaching reforms in education for children between the ages of 14 and 18.

Difficulties During War

The Board of Education is giving careful thought to this problem. Speaking of the difficulties education is experiencing in war time, Mr. Ramsbotham said that in many places school buildings have been severely damaged by bombs while in others the buildings have been taken over for civil defence purposes.

On the whole, however, education is bearing the strain remarkably well.

India And A.R.P.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The question of providing for the safety of important buildings in the city and the surrounding industrial areas against possible air raids is engaging the attention of the Bengal Government.

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and, furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr. T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Dignus by Dignity by Gainsborough) out of Lady Mares by Facet from Device by Woorak) and the pony is now named Gloom and belongs to Mr. Eu Tong-sen. The second highest bid was \$8,000 paid by Mr. Li Lan-sang for a bay gelding (No. 26 by Farr by Farman from Dame Perle out of Bounty by Buckwheat by Maraton by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly) and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,740 each, and the Club came out of the trying run with a net profit of \$1,000, per moke.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a cer-

tain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breeds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony subscription griffins by the Russian dealers for last year's racing was a blessing in disguise.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigree, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the Club, I found that griffin No. 28 has "good blood," the dam being Bounty by Buckwheat by Maraton by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly. It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bit of that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony, the Australian Griffins, a number of which were imported by the Jockey Club and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maiden Stakes and the Austral Trial Plate on the first day; Austral Black Rock Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Chater Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopful Stakes and Austral Grand Stand Stakes on the fourth day and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 19 events limited to the Australia Subs of 1941 of which 113 were drawn as against 92 last year.

DERBY DAYS

The Hongkong Derby will be run

on the second day and the Rooty Hill Derby and Sports Club Cup on the third day.

The Australian Champions and Hongkong Champions will take place on the fourth day, while the Professional Cup and Austral Subscription ponies Champions will be held on the last day.

Twelve races will be held on each of the first four days commencing at 11.30 a.m. with the usual fifteen interval at 1.30 p.m. Racing on the fifth and final day will start at 2 p.m. and will comprise only nine events.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Royston" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless a fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world.

In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cylene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France and America via Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, Ajax and Teddy; last year in England, 125 direct descendants of this famous horse, sired 540 winners of 881 races carrying £276,600, out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £824,010 in stakes and—all this from an equine basis whose granddam was purchased as a lady's hack for 18 gns.

Now for the story. In 1875 the recently-created first Duke of Westminster paid £14,000, which in those days was an almost unprecedented price, for a horse called Doncaster. Bred at Sledmere and blessed (?) with the name of All Heart and No Peel, he was bought as yearling by a Mr. Merry for 950 gns., and after having his name changed, won the Derby, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Alexandra Plate and other races of £7,510, before being sold by Mr. Merry to his trainer, Robert Peck for £10,000 and passed on a day or two later, to the Duke of Westminster at the figure mentioned, and sent to the Eaton Stud, near Chester, where he stood as a stallion at a fee of 100 gns. and a guinea the groom.

At the time of his arrival at Eaton there was a mare there called Rouge Rose, and the mating between the two, as might be expected, resulted in BEND OR; but Rouge Rose cannot be left at that.

Bought for 18 Guineas

IN 1852 a Colonel Pearson, later to become a General, was looking out for a horse for his wife and came across a twelve-year-old mare with a foal at foot, belonging to the then Duke of Grafton, and bought them for 18 gns. and 12 gns. respectively.

The mare was named Ellen Horne; the foal, Paradigm. The latter, who ran twice, bred ten winners of £60,417 for Colonel Pearson, among them being the triple-crown winner, Lord Lyon; the One Thousand Guineas and St. Leger heroine, Achievement; the Cambridgehire winner, Gardevoir; Cheviot, the dam of the Oaks winner, Jannette; and Paradigm, the direct ancestor of twenty-two classic winners that include such as Ladass, Cicero, Vauluse, Saucy Sue, Book Law and Pay Up.

Meantime Ellen Horne had seen out her days as a hack, and at the age of twenty was mated with the Derby winner, Thormanby, and in due course foaled Rouge Rose, who never ran and was bought by the Duke of Westminster as a twelve-year-old.

So much for Bend Or's breeding. On the racecourse he was unbeaten as a two-year-old, and the following season took the Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeder would do well to remember his ancestry; the poor and the rich have the same chance when the breeding of bloodstock is the main theme; there are still Ellen Hornes and Anneses to be found; there has seldom been a better time for the bloodstock industry.

From the catalogue of the Hongkong Jockey Club there are a few griffins traced down from such famous horses as Cylene (a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry), Polymelus, Flying Fox and Cicero (son of Cylene). They will, of course, be seen in action at the Spring meeting and it is to be hoped that all of them will uphold the dignity of their ancestors.

The mare, Annette, need not be bothered with the foal, to become a mare, made history like Ellen Horne and Paradigm.

Annes bred Miss Annes who was sold to Sir Tatton Sykes, of Sledmere, and for him produced Polly Annes, a miserable under-sized foal that he gave to his stud-groom on condition that she left the stud.

Polly Annes grew up and foaled Lily Annes, who after winning twenty-one races including the Northumberland Plate, the Doncaster Cup and the Great Ebor Handicap, was sold to the Duke of Westminster, and for him bred the

One Thousand Guinea winner, Farewell to Doncaster, and Ormonde, Casor, Fleur de Lys, and, at the age of sixteen, Sceptre's dam, Ornament, to Bend Or.

Parting of the Lines

WITH Ormonde, who won the Triple-crown and many other races of £28,465, comes the parting of the Bend Or lines. In his first season as a stallion, he sired Orme, and then after missing a season through illness, was sold to an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a Californian breeder for £30,000.

But he was a failure as a sire of winners, and left Orme, who won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £32,526 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the Westminster Stakes, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1900, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 gns. and was exported.

In France he began the French Derby and Grand Prix de Paris winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Gallahad III, has put the line into such a strong position in France and in America.

The Line in England

MEANTIME Bona Vista, a half-brother to the Derby winner, Sir Visto, and to Velazquez from Mearns's daughter, Festa, who won the Two Thousand Guineas and other races of £8,835, carried on in England, and before being sold to Austria-Hungary sired Cylene, a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry, but nevertheless scored in the Newmarket Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes, the Ascot Gold Cup and other events of £26,630, became the sire of the Derby winners, Cicero, Lomborg, Minoru, and the filly Tagallie.

The blood of the first three is nowadays seldom seen in the sire-line of a pedigree, but the join-up with present-day sires was made, through Polymelus, a good handicapper and the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridgehire to his credit, who became responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pomern and Flinnella; for the Epsom Derby winner, Humourist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper who began, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Manna, and the St. Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Phares, but the line is the most prolific one in the country, and though not overburdened with stamina, the most popular.

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to its credit, and Phalaris has done it further honour through victories in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

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Stanford Win Rose Bowl Classic

PARADISE, Jan. 1 (UP).—Stanford University emerged triumphant from their American Football Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, winning today by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight And "Fireworks" From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

Grose and Coombes opened to Baker and Perry, but after Coombes had nicked Baker dangerously for four and two in the first over, he was bowled by the first ball of the second, which seemed to come up from leg. 7-1-6.

Here, however, Club success ceased as Alec Pearce and Grose played the bowling with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from leg, which is not his usual habit.

At 25, Baker was relieved by Knight, and the first time Pearce played a bad shot was when he sent the 40 up with a snick past first slip's right hand. It was bad luck on Perry who was bowling well. At this period only 44 runs had been scored in 50 minutes.

Richardson Bowls

AT 40, Ride, no doubt in an attempt to break up the stand, put on Richardson. I suppose you can ever choke a cat with cream.

Anyway, 13 came off the first over, though I thought it unkind to make him field long leg when there were some upstanding young fellows in the slips.

The separation came from the other end, as Knight sent down a beauty that just chipped Pearce's pads and went on to his wicket. It came back a lot from the off. 63-2-37.

Richardson's next over was treated with the respect due to a Verity or Grimmit, and only one run came from it. The next over Knight bowled Swyer. 71-3-2.

He took a rest after this, and Baker went on again at the Yard end. Perry also resumed, and his first ball clean bowled Skipwith. 92-4-8.

There was a quiet spell, and Grose seemed to be set for a big innings when he lifted an on-drive from McLeilan (who had relieved Baker) and the latter—fielding wide—mid-on—shot up his right hand and brought off a wonderful catch. 100-5-37.

As a matter of fact, I am doubtful who were the more surprised—the fieldsmen, the batsman or the spectators.

A Six—But Trouble Later

LAWRENCE had been suspiciously quiet for some time, and I was not surprised when he opened up a bit and hit Perry nearly into the Hongkong Bank. A pretty late cut for a couple and a smack to square-leg for four came from McLeilan's next over, but just as one was hoping for fireworks, he asked one from Haynes (on for Perry) and when the ball eventually came down the bowler caught it. 116-6-14.

Two runs later Head cut McLeilan hard and the catch was smartly taken at second slip by Haynes. 118-7-4.

The batsmen then settled down and Denyer dealt very faithfully with some very bad bowling. It was possibly post-prandial.

Batting Gloves

THE score got up to 150 and then Denyer got rather a nasty smack on the hand. From the way in which he lies down so much to hit the ball he is particularly likely to get hit about the hands, and he really ought to wear gloves. It is easy to learn—much easier than learning to wear one's dentist's teeth—and after a bit there is no handicap.

At 102 he cocked a half-hit one to Ride at mid-off off Knight. 102-3-28.

The wicket had put on 44 runs.

Scoring Continues

ALLANSON (I am told his name should be spelt Allinson, but the skipper spelt it the other way) was batting very steadily. I have not seen him before, but he is a bat with some very nice strokes.

At this point, Club appeared to have completely lost control of the game. However, at 189 Denyer hit a very bad ball from McLeilan to Bonaquet at cover, who judged the catch very well. 159-8-8.

Just after, Allanson was palpably caught at first slip by Haynes off Knight and was on his way to the Pavilion when something happened and he went back.

A few balls later, Bailey was l.b.w. 192-10-1. And then McLeilan bowled Allanson who had a go. 192-11-26. Between the innings I found out that the slip catch had been given not out as being taken on the half-volley. Though some of the batting side agreed, the score-book view was

Golf

\$382 COLLECTED AT FANLING FOR "BOMBER" FUND

The first Golf competition for the "S. C. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by C. M. Park (7) and G. Thompson (7), who both with three up each and will play off. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Thiller (10) and L. R. Andrews (5) two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. L. Lloyd (10) and J. Harrop (10) one up. There were numerous scores of all-square.

Other scores over the New Course were F. N. Merrick (10), Lt.-Col. E. D. Matthews (10) and T. McGarry (9) two up; Capt. A. C. Drew-Wilkinson (15), S. L. Lloyd (10), G. N. Tate (22) and J. H. B. Lee (11) one up; and numerous scores of all-square.

A cheque for \$382, the proceeds of the competition, has been sent to the South China Morning Post.

sticks, and was given out l.b.w. 181-3-48.

At 5.10, the winning hit was made, and the Club won by 7 wickets. The game, however, continued, and Bailey was given the ball at the Law Courts end, but he could not find a length.

Lawrence, with six men festooned around the boundary, went on for Coombes.

Mostly it was singles, but Knight's one 4 gave him his century. He had taken two hours to get his runs. Stumps were drawn with the score at 230 for 3 wickets.

Remarks

THE highlight of the match was Knight's century in which he hit sixteen 4's. One of the most attractive displays was Griffiths' innings, which was one of fine forcing cricket at a time when runs were needed.

For the losers, Pearce and Grose gave the impression that they were in for a big stand though the bowling was never loose, and they had to play defensive cricket. But once they were gone, only Allanson—or is it Allinson?—seemed to get on top of the bowling, though Denyer played a good offensive knock and hit well. The latter did not go on to bowl as his finger was damaged when batting.

The Wanderers' bowling was weak, and the Club, for whom—as I have often said, the Civil Services boys much better than their own Club—were distinctly better in that department.

It remains now for a full Club side to take on the E.C.C. It is a game I should very much like to watch.

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Girl Wife's Bigamy After Separation

Married when she was only just 16, Margaret Patricia Ivy Richards, aged 21, was bound over for two years on a charge of bigamy at Northants Assizes recently.

Prosecuting counsel said she was first married in 1935, but in 1937 there was a separation. In February, 1940, she formed an attachment for Charles Henry Cartledge and went through a form of marriage with him, describing herself as a spinster.

While she was away the second husband made some inquiries, and when he faced her with a previous marriage she said she had had a divorce.

Thought She Was Free

Proceedings had been entered for divorce, but it was not until June this year, after the second "marriage," that the case was heard.

In her defence it was pointed out that her first husband left her, and in March, 1939, she received notice of divorce proceedings. She heard nothing more for 12 months and thought she was free.

Mr Justice Oliver, binding her over, said the accused was now little more than a girl, and at the time of the first marriage little more than a child.

Farm Wife Freed Of Killing Beggar

A coroner's jury in Desquet, Quebec, fully exonerated Mrs Eugene Laroche, 21, for shooting and killing a 70-year-old beggar who refused to leave her premises, and who allegedly threatened to kill her three children.

"I didn't mean to kill him, only to scare him," the young farm wife told Coroner Dr Joseph Lamontagne. "After he told me he would kill my children, I reached three Ave Marias, then I took the gun and fired."

Mrs Laroche said the beggar, later identified as James Dewing, 70, called at her farmhouse while her husband was absent, and demanded money. She told him she had none, but he remained at the door, mumbling threats, she declared.

The jury returned a verdict of "death caused by a fire-arm, used in legitimate self-defence," and absolved Mrs Laroche from any blame.

Luftwaffe To Help Italy

Rome, Jan. 2. The newspaper *Piccolo* announced to-day that German air squadrons were coming to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin. The paper also announced that the Italian air corps on the English Channel coast was returning to Italy; only one group of chasers would remain at the Channel.—*United Press*.

Reuter adds that the Commander-in-Chief of the Italian Air Force, in his order of the day, also declared that German planes were coming to Italy to help the country in its aerial war against Britain.

Show In Aid Of The S.P.C.

Variety entertainment in aid of the Society for the Protection of Children will be given at the China Fleet Club Theatre to-night.

David Kossick, who is producing the show, has called it "Funlety" and is helped by a strong cast of artists, many of whom were with him in the successful "Vaudeville" performances recently. There are to be dance numbers (arranged by Nellie Field), vocal numbers (arranged by Freddy Archer), besides several surprise items, so that a thoroughly enjoyable evening is promised.

The show begins at 8.15 p.m. and tickets may be obtained at Anderson's.



THE DUKE OF KENT jumping from a plane which carried him to an operational training unit in the North. The Duke saw pilots being trained in Britain's latest fighter machines.

SUNER EXPLAINS HIS CASE

Defends Tangier Action

MADRID, Jan. 2 (Router).—Reasons for the Spanish occupation of the International Zone of Tangier were given by the Foreign Minister, Sr Suner, in an interview published in the review *Haz*.

Asked what had been the reaction of the other Powers to Spain's action, Sr Suner said that those countries which had been friends of Spain in the civil war reacted in the natural way of real friendship. With others "natural differences" were produced. "One people still very much engaged in war," the Minister continued, "adopted an attitude to a certain extent understanding because the reasons for our rights were clear and because their practical sense made them think that the Tower of Babel of Tangier had no interest for anybody."

Another people whose military valour has not been accompanied by fortune surprised us by its less understanding reaction and argued about unilateral and bilateral rights as if what was a matter of natural right could be a matter of contract. After referring to the "mere police occupation of Tangier" in June, Sr Suner said that what interested Spain was the end of the international greed by which the great artificiality of the internationalization of Tangier had been employed which represented a constant aggression against Spain.

German Attack Convoys
Sr Suner stated that the difficult situation caused in Tangier at the outbreak of the war was aggravated by Italy's entry into the struggle, adding: "This critical and very dangerous moment required immediate action on Spain's part. Hence the June occupation."

The formal occupation and taking over of the administration in November had in reality already been decided upon before he took office as Foreign Minister, he continued. The time was chosen because someone who no doubt did not properly understand the present realities of Europe wished other forces to share with Spain in the defence of the city. It was when this inexplicable and bold aspiration was made that the decision was taken to make the peseta legal tender, name the Colonel of the Moroccan Troops of occupation Governor of the city, and dissolve the International Police and Administration.

Spain's action at Tangier was an expansion based on a natural right, declared Sr Suner. Taken by any other people such action would have violated a natural right and been aggression against Spain. Asked if the "natural right" was the inspiration of Spanish foreign policy, Sr Suner said: "Each people chooses the road its nature indicates; some choose economic expansion, others a theory of living space, some the seaways of their existence and other strategic doctrines of defence of an empire, and others again the road of a materialistic interpretation of history."

"I shall not say which is best, I simply affirm that the way of Spain is that of the natural right."

Cadre Parades Put Off
Resumption of parades: It has been found impossible for the Training Cadre and the Training Company to resume parades on January 6 and 7 as was previously announced. The next parade of the Cadre will accordingly be on Monday, January 20, that of the Training Company on Tuesday, January 21. Both parades as usual will be held at Murray Barracks, Garden Road, at 5.15 p.m. The training of the Veteran Squad will not be resumed for three months.

Anti-T.B. Work To Be Expanded

Sanatorium Plan

As already reported, proposals for the establishment of a sanatorium for tuberculosis victims, by the Hongkong Anti-Tuberculosis Association, were discussed at some length at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association held last week.

It was decided finally to appoint a sub-committee consisting of Messrs Ruby Mow Fung (Convener), the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, Dr T. P. Wu and Dr N. C. Macleod, to inspect a house in Sheouan Hill, available for renting at \$150 per month or for purchase at \$30,000.

The sub-committee was instructed to draw up a detailed report for submission to the Finance and Scientific Sub-Committees, and it was agreed that if the house were considered suitable it should be leased in the first instance, with option to purchase in twelve months.

There followed discussion on the Association's financial policy—"to be or not to be." In debt being the question, and the Committee generally favoured a bold policy. The issue was referred to the Finance Sub-Committee with a request for its opinion and advice.

After a statement by the President, it was decided that the Sociological Sub-Committee's suggestion that free medicines should be provided by Government could not be supported. It was also felt that a further proposal that four nurses should be employed by the Association for following up cases could not be approved, because the financial position did not justify such expenditure and because patients whose names and addresses are submitted to the Deputy Director of Health Services can, in most cases, be seen by Government Health Visitors.

In connection with the survey of living conditions in the Colony now being carried out by the Sociological Sub-Committee, the President agreed to seek the co-operation of the Chinese hospitals, and to approach the Auxiliary Nursing Service with a view to securing the services of auxiliary nurses to assist in filling up forms at clinics.

A suggestion by the Publicity Sub-Committee that street lecturers be employed, was discussed and it was agreed to appoint one for an experimental period of four months.

The Chairman revealed that the Hongkong Chinese Relief Association (through its Chairman, Mr Ho Kom-tong) had given a donation of \$500 to the funds of the Anti-Tuberculosis Association. Those present included the Hon. Mr M. K. Lo (Chairman), Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Mr Shouen Chow, Messrs B. Wyle, W. Yinson, Murray Barracks, the Rev. J. E. Sandbach, the Rev. J. R. Higgs, the Hon. Dr Li Shu-fan, Dr T. P. Wu, Miss Ruby Mow Fung, and Dr N. C. Macleod.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The New Year opened with a good general demand for scrip, and prices advanced in some cases.

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Bank of East Asia \$74.50
Canton Ins. \$200
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Electric "O" \$40.25
Dairy Farms \$18.60
Watsons \$10.65/70

NEW YEAR GREETINGS

Hongkong and Macao

New Year greetings were exchanged between His Excellency the Acting Governor, Lieut.-General E. F. Norton, and His Excellency the Governor of Macao, Comdr G. M. Teixeira, according to a communique issued from the Colonial Secretary's Office yesterday.

General Norton sent the following telegram: "I wish your Excellency and the people of Macao prosperity and every happiness during the New Year."

The following reply was received from Comdr Teixeira: "With my best thanks for the kind telegram of your Excellency my heartiest wishes of all prosperity and happiness to your Excellency and to the people of Hongkong in the coming new year."

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Italian Prisoners In India

Bombay, Jan. 2. The first party of Italian prisoners from the Western Desert has now arrived in India. It comprises four generals, 300 other officers, and 627 men.

Except for the four generals all the Italian prisoners were taken to Ramgarh for detention.

An Italian colonel told Reuter:—"We have been very well treated." The prisoners were escorted from Egypt to Bombay by Indian troops. One general was Second-in-Command of the Italian forces in Libya.—*Reuter*.

SIX MONTHS FOR LOOTING

Pleading "Guilty" at the Central Criminal Court recently to stealing a bottle of hair oil, five packets of cigarettes, and a shaving stick, of the total value of £s. 3d., from a hair-dresser's premises damaged and exposed by enemy action, Joseph Oliver, 28, an auxiliary fireman, was sentenced to six months' imprisonment. He attributed his lapse to having been for 14 hours on continuous fire-fighting.

Passing sentence, the Recorder (Sir Gerald Dodson) said that Oliver's previous good character enabled him to reduce the sentence for an offence which Parliament regarded so seriously as to inflict the death penalty in extreme cases.

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New Pact Wanted By Swiss

A Swiss trade delegation, headed by M. Keller, a well-known Swiss economist, recently arrived in London to negotiate a new trade agreement.

Completely surrounded by territory under Axis control, Switzerland now fears that a rigorous application of the blockade will cut off the supplies of food-stuff and other commodities on which she depends.

Until the collapse of France, imports to Switzerland permitted to pass through the blockade went through that country.

Now that the blockade is being applied against France, too, Switzerland's position has become much more difficult.

Temptation To Axis

These difficulties are freely appreciated here, but it is hard to see what can be done to help Switzerland without risking a leak in the blockade.

Any imports passing through enemy occupied territory must be a temptation to Germany and Italy to supplement their own diminishing supplies.

Since the war began imports of foodstuffs and staple commodities into Switzerland have increased considerably.

Four-fifths of Switzerland's total imports passed through the British blockade.

Solicitor Asks For New Bench

An allegation that magistrates had decided an application in private instead of in open court was made at Maidenhead recently by Mr. T. Alan Stuchbery, a solicitor. The Mayor (Mr. C. T. Killey) refused the allegation and refused an application that the bench be reconstituted.

Mr. Stuchbery said that the application was for a reduction in the contribution made by the Union Cinema Co. under the Sunday Entertainment Act, 1932, in respect of Sunday opening of cinemas. It first came before the bench on Sept. 8, and was adjourned for certain figures to be submitted.

Aldermen's Information
"It was with considerable astonishment," said Mr. Stuchbery, "that I learned that this application had been dealt with by the Bench in private." He said his information came from two aldermen who attended the meeting.

The Mayor: I must strongly protest. The magistrates have not reached a decision.

Mr. Stuchbery asked that all the magistrates who attended that meeting should not adjudicate. The Mayor refused the application, adding that he strongly deplored the notion of any magistrate divulging what transpired in the magistrates' room.

LATE NEWS



KING MICHAEL kissing his mother, Queen Helen, on her arrival in Rumania after years of exile. She arrived at the frontier station.

The First Bombs Of New Year

→ FROM PAGE ONE

One British Vickers-Wellington was brought down.

Lone Dawn Raider

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The very slight enemy air action to-day has been confined to the coastal districts.

An Air Ministry communique states that little damage and only a few minor casualties were caused by bombs which were dropped in a town in Kent.

Reports received since this morning's communique, it is added, show that a small number of persons were killed when a single enemy aircraft dropped bombs in a town in the west of England shortly before dawn this morning.

ITALIAN SABOTAGE

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Barracks occupied by an Italian garrison at the frontier town of Postumia (on the road from Trieste to Ljubliana, Yugoslavia) have been set afire.

Four civilians have been arrested, suspected of sabotage and the entire garrison is under strict observation.

British Journal Expelled

LISBON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—W. Lucas, for many years the London "Times" correspondent in Portugal, has been ordered to leave the country within 48 hours on account of an article written by him in an American review.

In it he alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.

Military Regime Is Set Up In Rumania

→ FROM PAGE ONE

Nazi-supported Antonescu regime on the part of Communists and other opposition elements.

Underlying the whole situation is the fundamental conflict between the Iron Guard and Communist ideology. The developing of the anti-Communist campaign of the Iron Guard has led to a note from the Soviet Minister demanding its cessation.

Soviet circles in the Balkans believe that the new German Minister in Rumania, Baron von Killinger, is about to reorganise the Gestapo's control of Rumania, using Iron Guard men instrument against the Communists.

Dangerous Peasantry

An inquiry by a leading Bucharest paper among its correspondents in many towns and villages has shown that the urban working classes are already under Communist influence. Peasants are standing aloof from the Legionary regime and are also in a highly dangerous mood.

From this it is evident that if Germany attempts to get Rumania to march by her side in any adventurous policy there will be violent reaction among Rumanians.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIANS

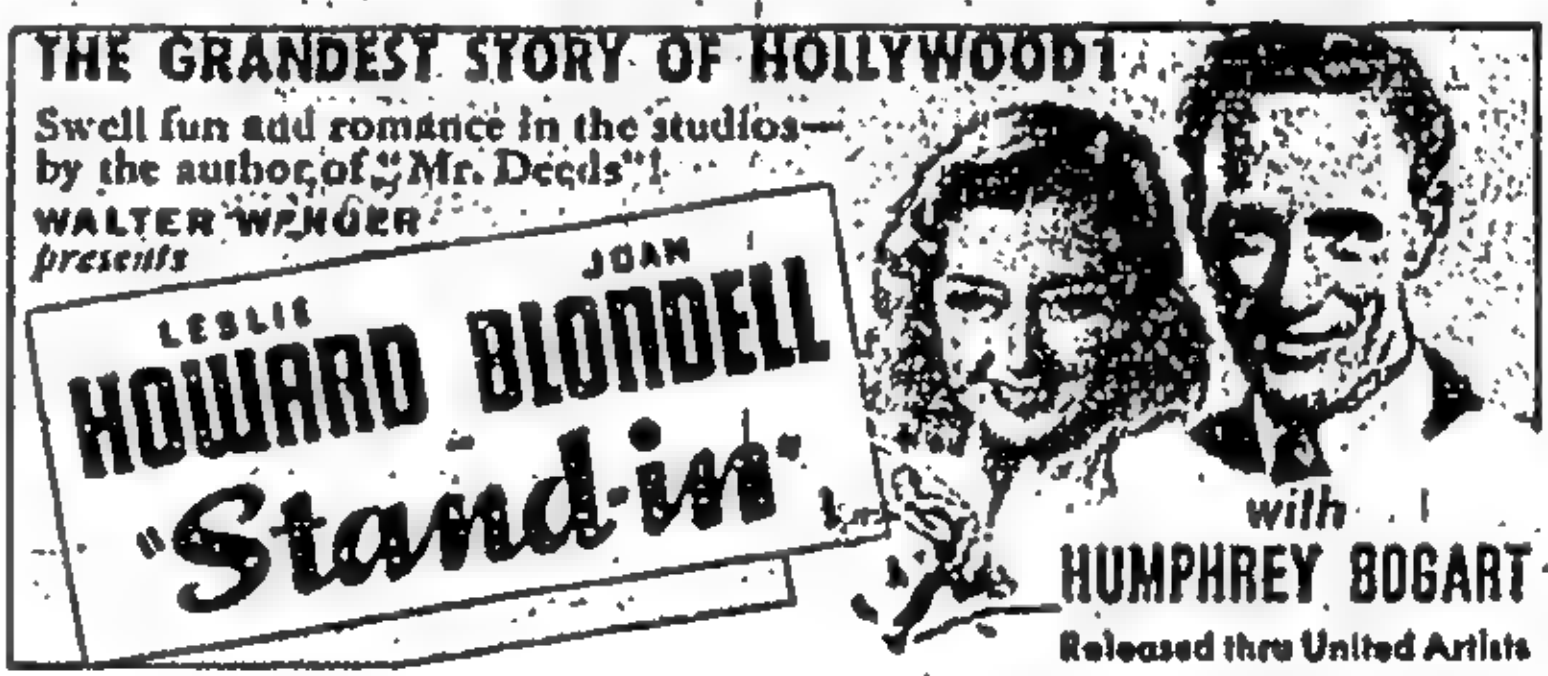
LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Australian Army Minister, Mr. Sturdee, and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieut-General Sturdee, have arrived at Palestine from Australia on an inspection visit of the Australian Imperial Force.

RED ARMY CHANGE

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—General Shadanko, Deputy Commissar of Defence, has been relieved of his post.

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Speaking at the ceremony, Lord Gowrie, the Governor-General, said: "Every rivet hammered into these ships is a nail in the coffin of Hitler and his gang."

TYPISTS PROTEST

The Civil Service Clerical Association in Britain has protested to the Treasury against inquiries now being made about the "efficiency" of shorthand-typists employed at the Ministry of Aircraft Production and the suggestion that they can, where ships is a nail in the coffin of Hitler, be replaced from outside the Service.

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LONDON, JAN. 2 (REUTER).—TWENTY THOUSAND INCENDIARIES AND A LOAD OF HIGH EXPLOSIVES DROPPED ON BREMEN DURING THE FIRST HOUR OF WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S FIERCE BOMBING RAID BY THE ROYAL AIR FORCE, TURNED THE GREATEST SEAPORT IN GERMANY—AFTER HAMBURG—INTO A RAGING FURNACE.

Nazi Raider in Pacific said to be a Glen Liner

It is reported that one of the German raiders in the Pacific is the Glengarry, a 7,100-ton ship being built for the Glen Line at Copenhagen when the Nazis invaded Denmark.

This ship, almost complete at the time, was finished by the Nazis and was sent to the Pacific under Count von Luckner, famous sea raider of the last war, to prey on Allied shipping.

HE RAIDED IN THE LAST WAR

Count von Luckner is remembered for his exploits in the last war. In March 1917 he ran the Allied blockade in the North Sea in his 4,000-ton armed merchant vessel, the Seeadler. The ship was disguised as a Norwegian timber carrier. Luckner operated with some success in the Pacific where he sank many American freighters. A typhoon when the Seeadler was at the island of Mopelia was responsible for her destruction, and on October 21, von Luckner and five of his men were captured, and interned.

HONGKONG PAYS UP

Salaries Tax Revenue Exceeds Expectations

"The revenue from taxation on salaries has exceeded expectations, but we are still very much in the dark as regards taxation on profits etc.," stated Mr. A. G. Clarke, Commissioner for War Taxation this morning to the "Hongkong Telegraph."

The first assessments were sent out last June, these being confined to a few individuals who were leaving the Colony.

The department commenced to function on April 1, 1940 with a skeleton staff of eight clerks. Two examiners arrived shortly afterwards from Ceylon and these were later joined by three others, but the department is still short of two examiners, who are expected to arrive any day from Home.

"We are making fair progress and have experienced surprisingly little trouble in the collection of taxation. There has been a good deal of public co-operation," he concluded.

The experience of some Norwegian captives, which took place some time ago, can now be related. Their particular ship, the name of which cannot be mentioned, opened fire when challenged by the raider and the German promptly replied, killing nine of the crew.

When the rest of the crew were taken on board, von Luckner, as they believe, made them a short address regretting the necessity of firing on their ship and offering them good treatment while they were in his hands.

The men were allowed to walk about on the lower deck, were given good rations and even had a "complaint" book in which to voice grievances.

They had been cruising round Sumatra waters at this time but the raider shortly afterwards left for the Indian Ocean where another Norwegian was captured and sunk.

The raider had altered her superstructure to hide her guns and deck equipment and bore the appearance of an English ship, which indeed she was. The fact that she was accompanied by the Norwegian ship previously captured helped to disarm suspicion.

When quite close, the raider's deck

Sunk Without Warning

U.S. Oil Tanker's Fate

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
FREETOWN, Sierra Leone, Jan. 2 (UP).—Captain E. R. Blomquist of the Standard Oil tanker Charles Pratt, which was sunk on December 21 in the South Atlantic with the loss of two lives told the "United Press" to-day:

"The submarine fired two torpedoes without the slightest warning despite the Panamanian flag which were painted on both sides, leaving the ship a blazing, sinking hulk."

"We left Freetown on December 5 with an entire crew of Americans carrying 5,000,000 gallons of oil consigned to a British-Mexican firm in Freetown."

As the long procession of aircraft of the Bomber Command reached the Zuider Zee on their way to follow up the first attacks, they could see a red glow in the sky over Bremen although still 120 miles from their target.

Smoke from the fires reached as high as the clouds and mingled with them, and pilots found the targets they had been detailed to attack so thoroughly ablaze that rather than waste the bombs on buildings already gutted they sought other factories and dockyards in the city.

Armaments Assailed

It was an intensely cold clear night, and a young moon clearly lit up the targets, chief of which were the great shipbuilding yards in which warships of all kinds, and especially submarines, are under construction, the Daimler-Benz oil refineries, railway engine works, machine houses, the Zeiss optical works, and the Focke-Wulf air frame factory.

To defend Bremen, used all the ground defences could muster and the R.A.F. reported formidable anti-aircraft fire.

Holland Bombed
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
BERLIN, Jan. 2 (UP).—The official news agency correspondent at The Hague reports that R.A.F. planes last Tuesday night dropped a "large number of incendiary and explosive bombs throughout Holland. Many houses were struck."

Channel Ports Hit
LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Flashes and fires in the sky and muffled explosions from the direction of the French coast to-night indicated that R.A.F. bombers had braved the icy weather conditions in the Straits of Dover to attack again the German invasion ports.

Many searchlights between Calais and Boulogne probed the heavy banks of low clouds.

East Indies Anticipates Attack

Oil Wells Guarded

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Central News).—A message from Balikpapan published in the Evening Standard to-day, forecast that strategists believe that in the event of a Japanese attack on the Netherlands East Indies, the first objective of the blow will not be Java but the rich oil wells at Balikpapan.

The Netherlands East Indies authorities are reported to be ceaselessly building defences, heavily mining the port and sending out gunboats, mine-layers and planes to patrol the Macassar Strait.

Scores of Japanese found poaching in forbidden waters and masquerading as fishermen, have been arrested and imprisoned.

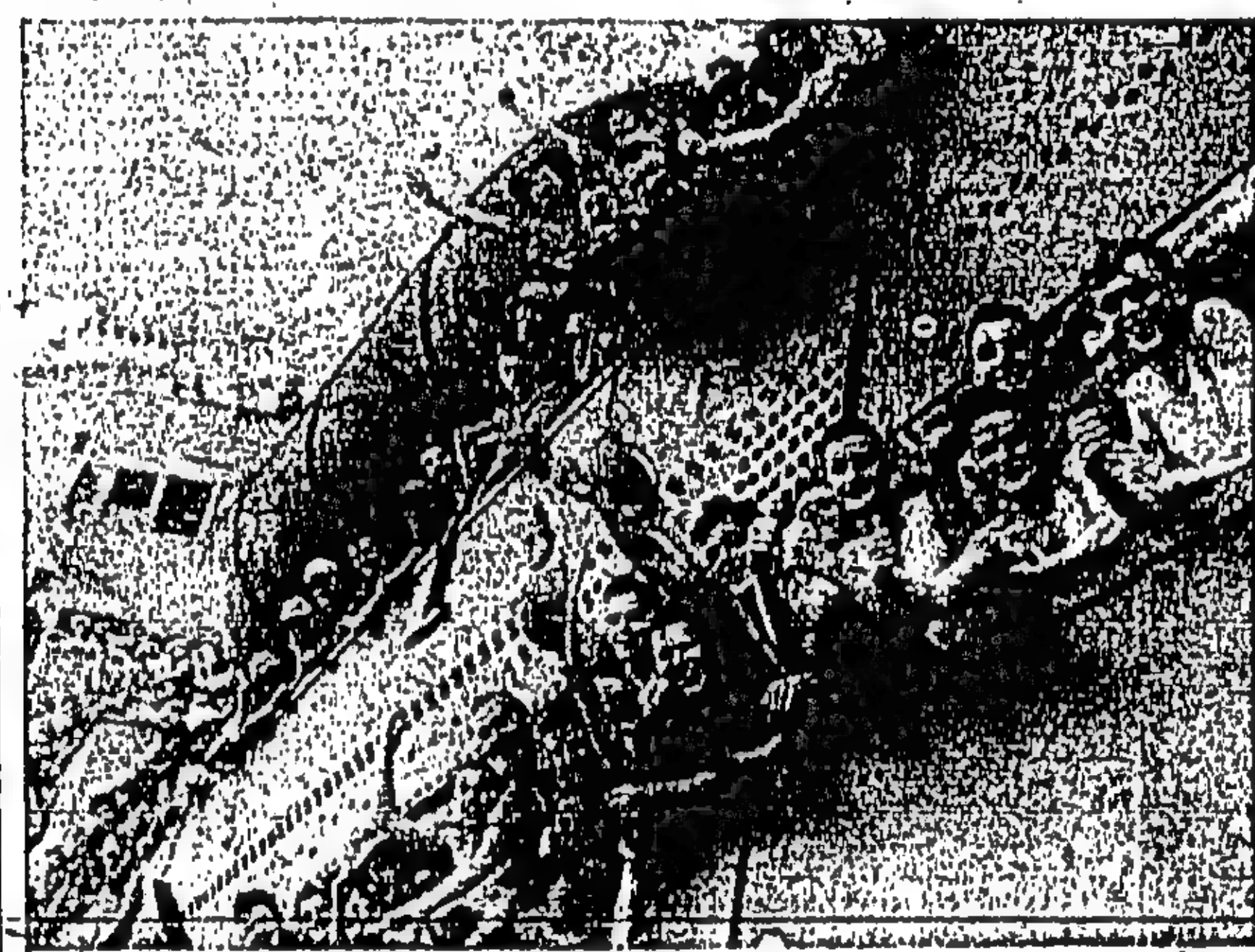
Recently a Japanese tanker with a crew of 500 cadets arrived at Balikpapan claiming to be making a training cruise. But the crew was not allowed to land and the vessel was escorted back to sea.

It is believed that the docks, refineries, pipe-lines and oil wells will be destroyed rather than be allowed to fall into Japanese hands. Destruction has been planned so thoroughly by experts that it is calculated a minimum of two years will be required before it will be able to resume production.

BELGIAN PRIDE

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—The Belgian army is firmly determined to fight at the side of her British friends and allies until final victory liberates Belgium and King Leopold.

M. Gutt, Belgian Minister of Defence, thus replies to the New Year Greetings sent to officers and men of the Belgian army by Capt. Margesson, British Secretary for War, on behalf of the Army Council.



Britain To Receive U. S. Cargo Ships

Special to the "Telegraph"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Administration quarters indicated to-day that American cargo vessels will be loaned or leased to Britain as one of the first steps in President Roosevelt's programme for providing accelerated material aid to England.

Won't Make Munitions For Japan

British Workers

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—A Socialist Member of Parliament, Mr Arthur Edwards, said that unless he received assurance from Mr Churchill that munitions now being manufactured in British factories would not be sent to Japan, he would ask Party leaders to debate the matter in Parliament.

The workers have threatened to strike because they believe that the munitions are destined for Japan.

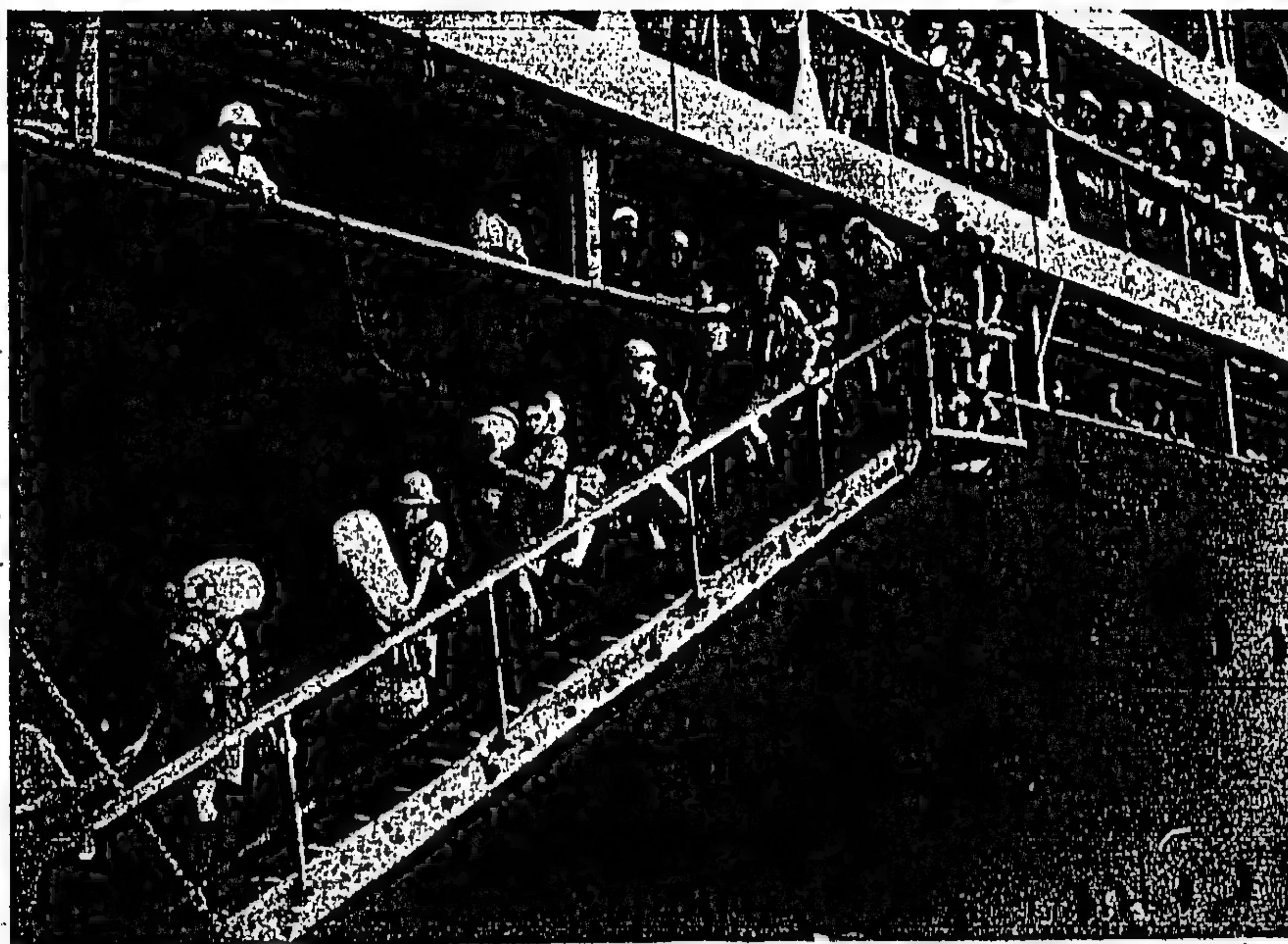
Mr Edwards has already written to Mr Churchill.

U. S. Planes Flying To London

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Lord Beaverbrook, the Air Minister, to-day revealed that a "stream of United States bombers" are being flown to us across the Atlantic to London.

TAKING PART IN THE BATTLE OF LIBYA

Here are some of the British reinforcements which arrived recently in Egypt to take part in the present Battle of Libya. Top picture shows contingents of the R.A.F., landing from their transport, and below, a happy group of British tommies getting their first glimpse of the Middle East.



DEMAND APOLOGY FROM JAPANESE

Firm Stand By U.S. Marines

PEIPING, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—A demand for a full apology by the Japanese for the incident which occurred in Peiping on Monday when some United States Marines were detained by Japanese police is being made by Col. S. H. Turnage, Commandant of the United States Marines here.

GREEKS ADVANCING ON VALONA

New Heights Gained

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports from the frontier say that the Greeks in the Telepini sector occupied the village of Itebani, capturing two Italian officers and 150 soldiers.

Reports regarding the Strada Bianca clash declare that the Greeks captured seven officers (including two majors) 450 soldiers, two light field guns and four machine-guns.

The Italians fled along the main road towards Valona. The pursuing Greeks reached the heights in the Kerkirani mountains which skirt the coast as far as Valona Bay and dominate the valley.

Another Valona Raid

STRUGA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reports reveal that six Greek and British planes yesterday bombed and damaged the port works at Valona, hitting and setting fire to an Italian ship in the harbour.

The same planes then bombed the Italian barracks at Kanina, three and a half miles southeast of Valona, TURN to Back Page, Column 5

New Warship Every 12 Days

American Production

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The United States navy now has sufficient officers to command the warships which are being added to the fleet at the rate of one every 12 days.

Naval officials said that 15,000 regular and reserve naval officers are now on duty including 4,000 reservists. An additional 3,000 are scheduled to be commissioned in 1941 for the regular and reserve services.

A special four part programme, including the calling of reserves to active duty, training college men, a naval reserve officers training course, and shortening the course in the Naval Academy from four to three and a half years is being introduced.

Discuss Anglo-Chinese Interests in Pacific

Special to the "Telegraph"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—In his first talk with the Chinese Ambassador Mr Quo Tal-chi, since he became Foreign Minister, Mr Anthony Eden conversed for 40 minutes, and it is reliably stated that they discussed British-Chinese interests in the Pacific, and surveyed European developments.

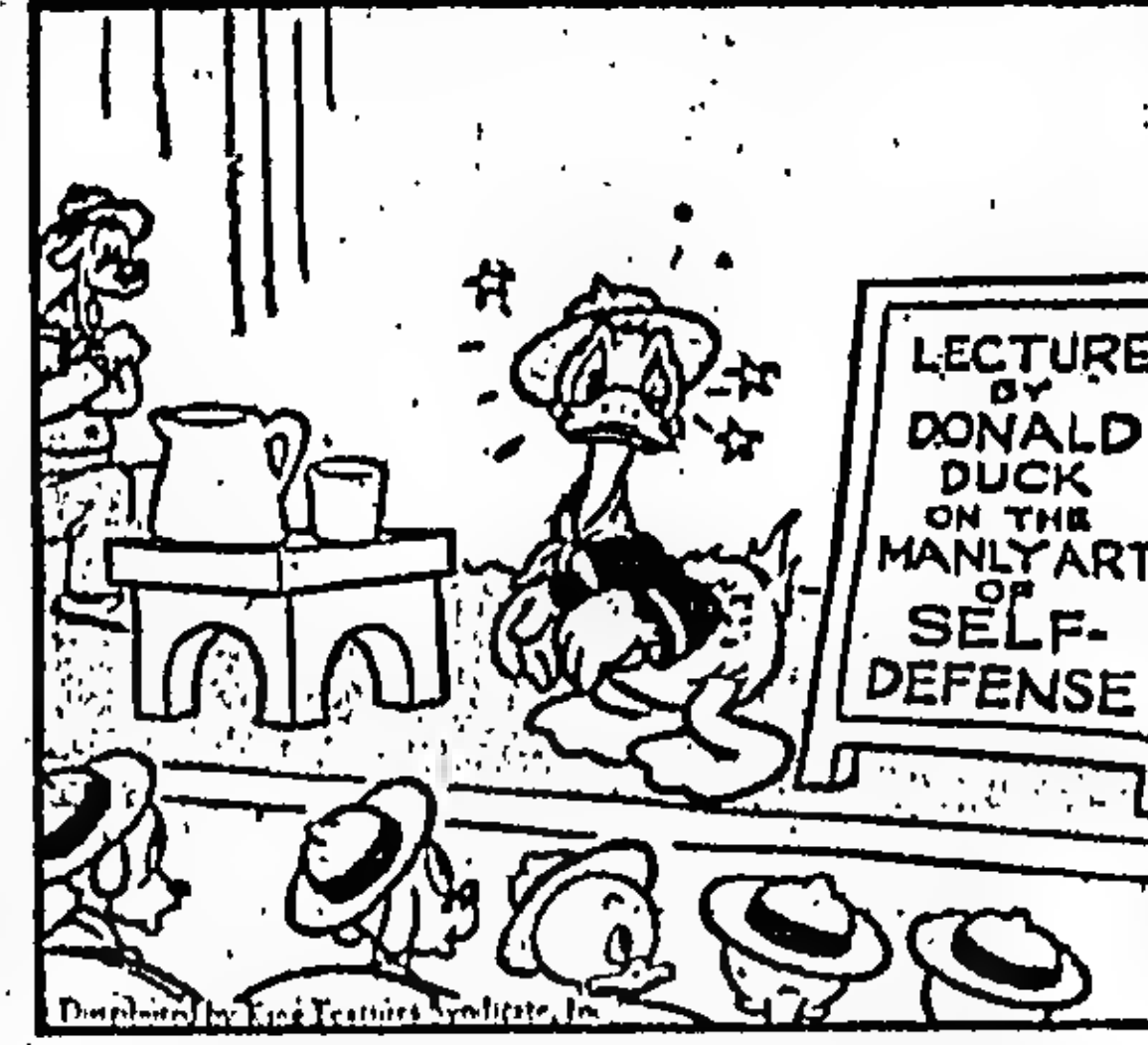
During the conversation the Chinese Ambassador alluded to the reports of heavy Japanese troop concentrations in Kwangtung, and suggested they could be used to protect the Canton-Hankow railway or could attack Hongkong, possibly to be synchronized with a German offensive in Europe.

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DONALD DUCK

By Walt Disney



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In the first four chapters of his narrative, Fred Hockey, the St Peter Port harbour signaller, described how the Germans took possession of the Channel Islands after the British forces decided to evacuate. He continues his eye-witness account of the occupation in the following chapter. The story is recorded by

DUDLEY BARKER

"Socialism" For Channel Islanders

TO prove that things would be better and happier under Hitler's New Order, the Germans gave the Channel Islands "Socialism" after they had been in occupation for a fortnight.

The German harbour master in Guernsey told Fred Hockey (and Fred Hockey, the harbour signaller who afterwards escaped to England, told me) that Hitler's idea was that there should be no rich or poor, and all men would be equal—except, of course, the Germans.

So it was duly announced in the Guernsey newspapers that henceforward all businesses would belong to the States of Guernsey (which, in turn, of course, though this was not emphasised, temporarily belonged to Germany).

It was not exactly compulsory to hand your business over to the States.

But if you did not, there was nobody in Guernsey who could afford any longer to buy your produce, you could not export it, and you could not draw enough money to pay your employees even if you had it in the bank.

So there was not much choice about it.

"For a week later," said Fred Hockey, "all wages on the island were regulated, too."

Fixed Wages

"It was announced that every single man who was employed—and the Germans saw to it that they were employed if only in forced labour on the airport—would draw 30s. a week from the States.

"Married men would get 38s. a week, with 1s. extra for each child up to the number of five, and 6d. extra for each child over that number.

"Foremen and people who previously owned their businesses received 2s. a week extra, and people with dependent relatives also got a bit more. For instance, my total came to £2 a week because I was a married man and had my daughter to support, although she was adult.

"It's surprising how quickly you can put that sort of organisation into force, providing nobody is allowed to express any opinion about it, and nobody is allowed to argue. They had it running in Guernsey in a few days.

Bank Control

"They appointed overseers for each district to go round and make sure that everybody was working properly.

"Then they set up local court officials in the school-rooms in each parish to pay out the Government wages, which were collected each week by the foremen and owners of businesses.

"People of independent means were no better off, because, no matter how much they had in the bank, they were not allowed to draw out more than their 30s. or 38s. each week, although they did not have to do any work.

"That was why no man could carry on his private business—he could not get the money to pay his expenses. And the Germans, of course, wanted all businesses to be handed over to the States, so that they themselves could control them.

"Most of the Guernsey businesses were glasshouses for growing tomatoes or grapes. The Germans made the growers turn a lot of them over to other crops, particularly maize and beans. It was thought that they wanted the seed to send to Germany, for next year's sowing.

Taken In

"Now this idea of everybody having an equal income, even if it was rather a small income, sounded all right in theory, and some of the more ignorant people got taken in by it at first. I heard several of them say so, in the 'pubs' and sitting on the sea wall of an evening.

"But even those people soon began to realise that things did not work out quite the way they thought they would—everybody working, everybody equal, everybody happy, and so on.

"To start with, the tradespeople soon discovered that everybody in the island did not have an equal income. The Germans had much more than anybody else.

"Now, I can't explain to you exactly how that was worked, because I've been just an ordinary sailor all my life, and I don't understand much about exchange rates, and things like that.

"But this is what happened. The Guernsey people were paid in Guernsey money—that is, the same as English money.

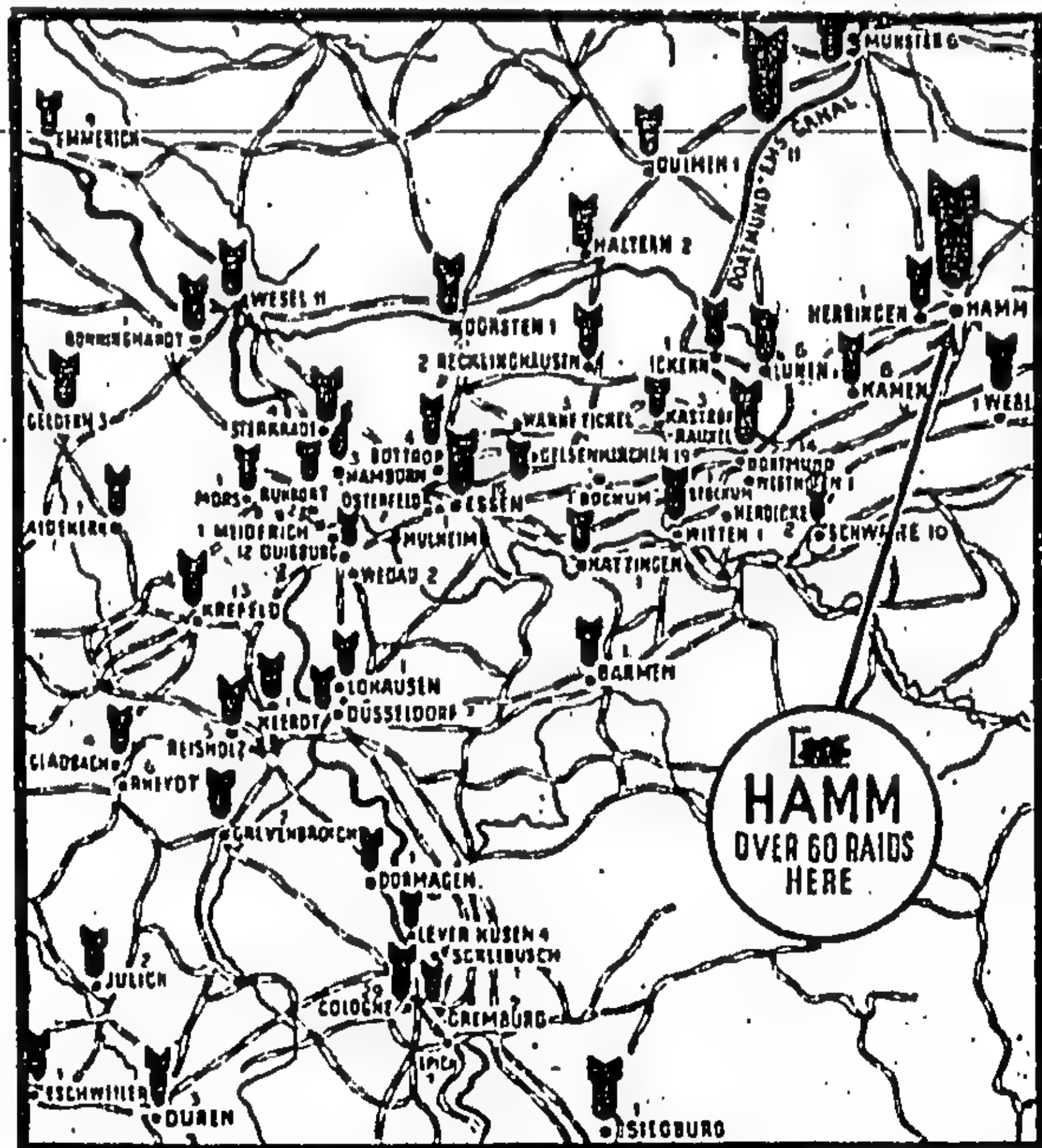
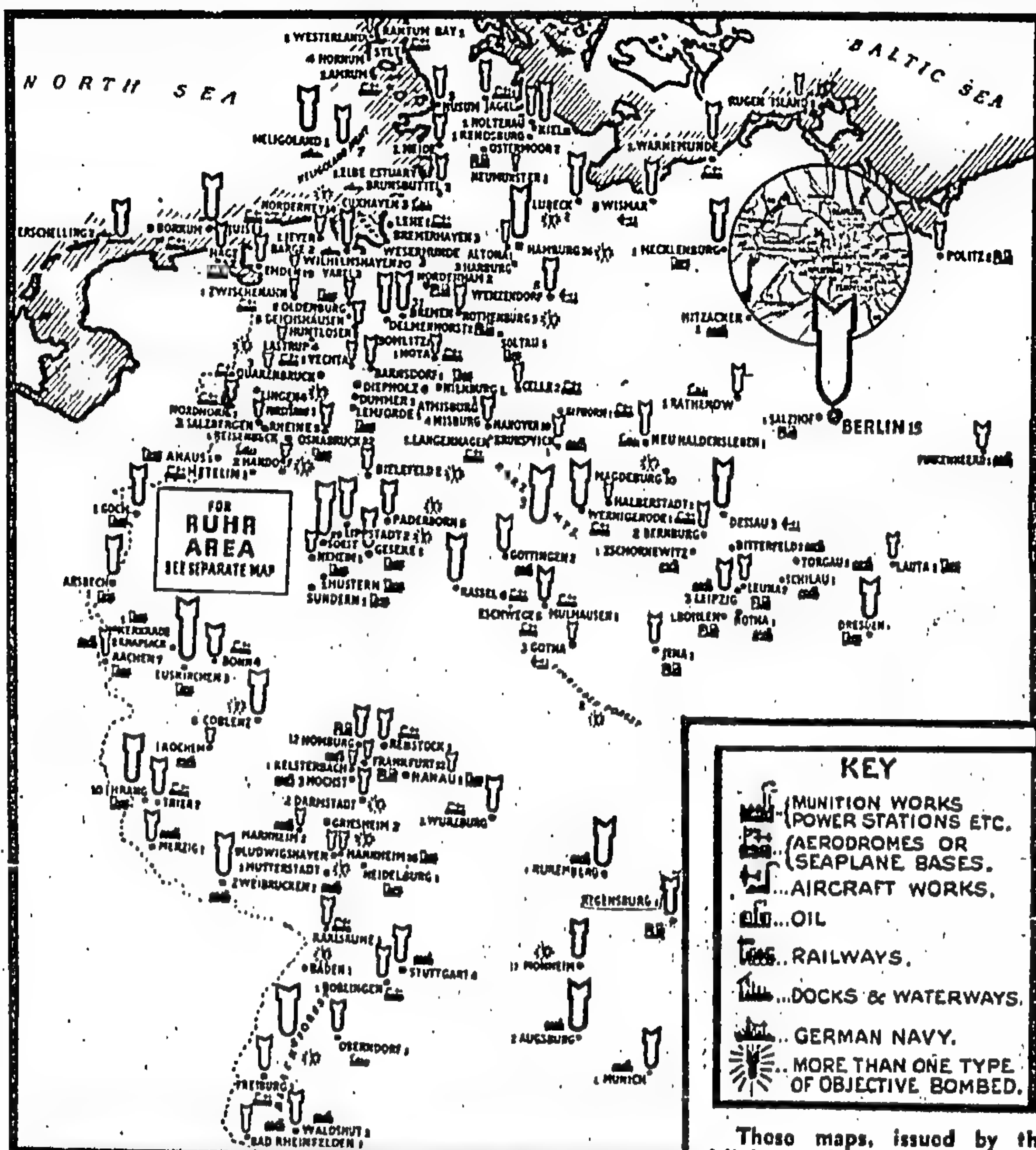
"At the same time the Germans flooded the island with German money. First of all it was marks, they brought from Germany, but a week or two later they started printing them in Guernsey itself.

Nothing To Buy

"The Germans were paid in marks, and the Germans decided how many marks went to the Guernsey pound.

"That was money for jam. That way, it worked out that the German private soldiers were getting £3 a week in Guernsey money, and the N.C.O.s and officers, of course, were rich men.

"Then we began to find out that it didn't matter so much



These maps, issued by the Ministry of Information, show clearly the chief objectives of the R.A.F. raids on Germany. The figures show the number of major attacks made on each area up to September 30. Smaller bombing raids and leaflet and reconnaissance flights are not included.

shopkeepers went out to work on the land or the airport, for their 30s. a week. That was what my father-in-law had to do, for one.

"The Germans tried to cover all this up by starting a little gaily. They responded to the cinema, twice a week, and at first they showed one German and one English film. But when they had used up all the English films that were in the Channel Islands, they had to be all German films, to which they put English subtitles.

"They also started to show propaganda films.

"A friend of mine went to the cinema one night, and saw 'The sinking of the Ark Royal,' which was supposed to have been taken by the German pilot who 'bank' her.

"The funny thing was that there were a lot of German soldiers in the cinema, and when they came to the propaganda film, most of them yawned and walked out for a drink, coming back when that film was over.

Boycotted Girls

"Another amusement was the dances that were started in St George's Hall after the Germans had been in Guernsey for a couple of weeks. Quite a few of the local people went to those dances.

"Some of the girls, indeed, started walking out arm-in-arm with the Germans in the streets. I suppose it was natural, for the Germans were a smart looking lot, most of them could speak perfect English, and they were well behaved.

"But the Guernsey people never could tolerate it. The girls who were seen walking out with the Germans were banned everywhere. One of them was a friend of my daughter's and she had the impudence to come to my house.

"Clear out of this, I told her, when I found her there, 'we don't want any German girls in this house. That was the attitude most of the island took towards these girls.

"Mind you, it is the girls we complained about, not the German soldiers. The Germans were under the strictest orders and discipline and, with one exception, they behaved perfectly."

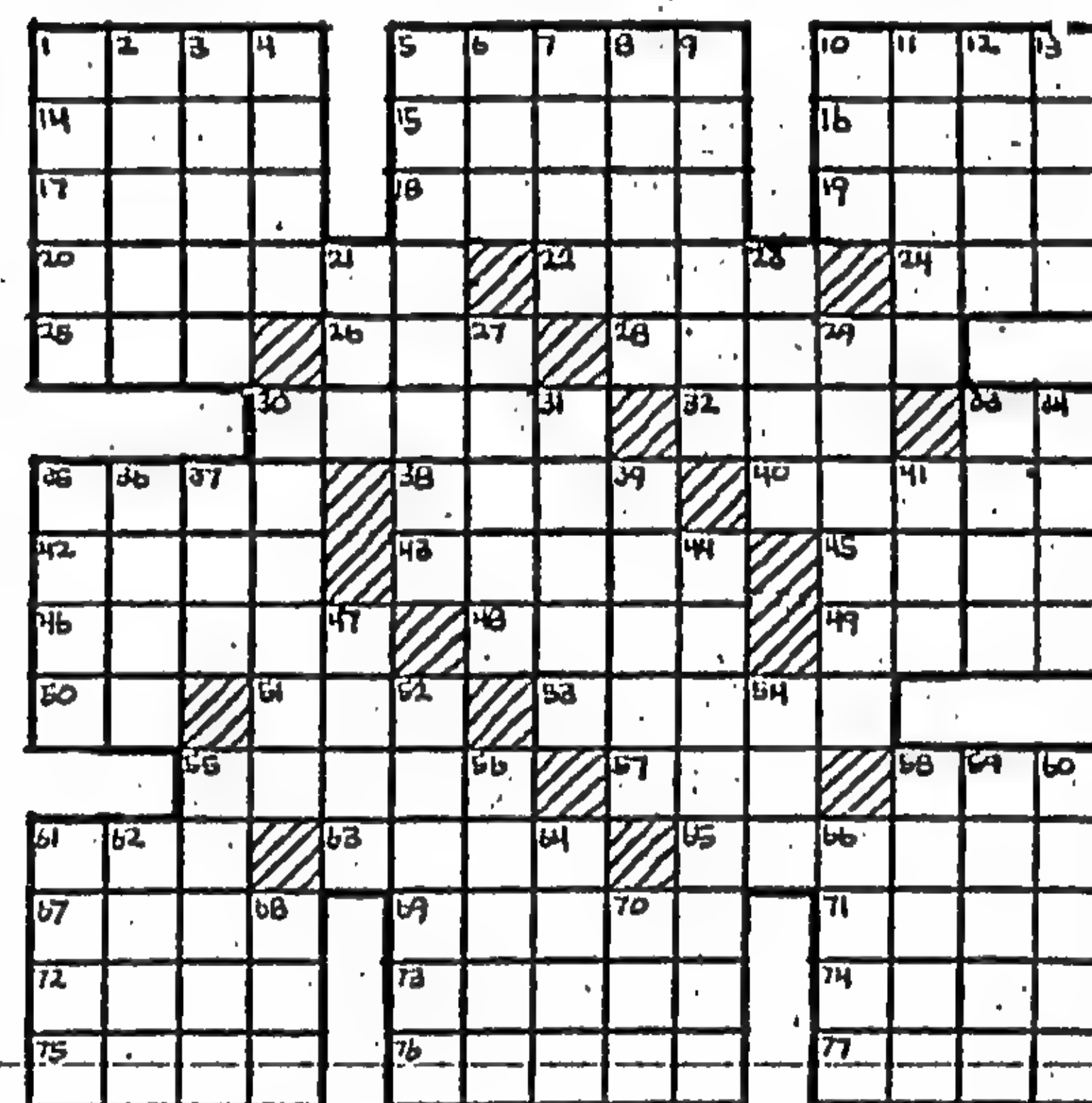
TO-MORROW:
STARVATION AHEAD.

Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

- ACROSS
- 1—Take piece of stick (5)
 - 2—Strike ashamed (5)
 - 3—Part of tree (5)
 - 4—Outspring of mare and donkey (5)
 - 5—South American mammal (5)
 - 6—Become surety for (5)
 - 7—Meat (5)
 - 8—Lithary (pl.) (5)
 - 9—Pitcher handle (5)
 - 10—Female relative (5)
 - 11—Summon to court (5)
 - 12—Lip (5)
 - 13—Very warm (5)
 - 14—Pull of nerve (5)
 - 15—Lost color (5)
 - 16—Cube used in gambling (5)
 - 17—First king of Israel (5)
 - 18—Of solemn mien (5)
 - 19—Pineapple (Spanish) (5)
 - 20—Parting to tone (5)
 - 21—Deal with wax (5)
 - 22—Patron saint of sailors (5)
 - 23—All of us (5)
 - 24—Uniform liquid (5)
 - 25—Ship's word (5)
 - 26—Cigar; erroneous spelling (5)
 - 27—Lying bones (5)
 - 28—Liter in Poland (5)
 - 29—Years of life (5)
 - 30—Ancient Irish clan (5)
 - 31—Ship's word (5)
 - 32—Scottish cow-stable (5)
- DOWN
- 1—Shatter to pieces (5)
 - 2—Rare article (5)
 - 3—In inclined position (5)
 - 4—Ancient Irish clan (5)
 - 5—Ship's word (5)
 - 6—Parish with credentials (5)
 - 7—Wine measure (5)
 - 8—Color by use of dye (5)
 - 9—Made snake-like (5)
 - 10—Arabian garment (5)
 - 11—Confection (5)
 - 12—Lip (5)
 - 13—Note of Guido's scale (5)
 - 14—Branch of mathematics (5)
 - 15—Type of wine (5)
 - 16—One in charge of cathedral (5)
 - 17—Protecting rim (5)
 - 18—Unit of force (5)
 - 19—Zap (5)
 - 20—Juice Verne character (5)
 - 21—Lieutenant (5)
 - 22—One (French) (5)
 - 23—Roman spirit of dead ancestors (5)
 - 24—Recipients of (5)
 - 25—Willow (French) (5)
 - 26—Exaggeration of ascent (5)
 - 27—Drink (5)
 - 28—Man who ate no fat (5)
 - 29—Warship (5)
 - 30—Month of March in Roman calendar (5)
 - 31—Male's brother (5)
 - 32—In anatomy, brain convolutions (5)
 - 33—Pat book (5)
 - 34—Ship's word (5)
 - 35—Condition of dawn (5)
 - 36—Daddy illuminated (5)



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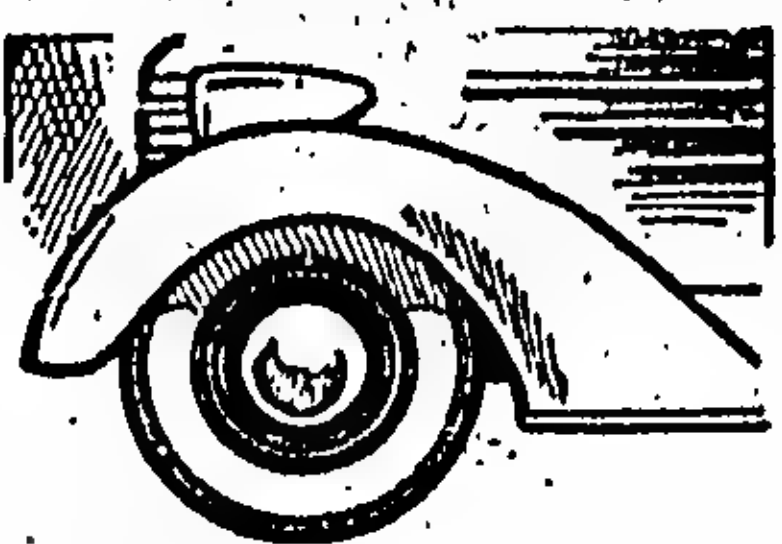
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NEW CALL TO ARMS

A DEEPER appreciation of the shocking and terrifying destruction which the Nazis Luftwaffe is causing to London and other cities in Britain is offered in the decision of the British Government to invoke a plan for the general mobilisation of fire watchers—in other words, the enforced use of perhaps 50 per cent. of the entire nation.

It is a vital step; unhappily a very necessary one. The "fire raid" of Sunday last clearly has stirred the Government more than anything else in this war. The Huns have now revealed that they are prepared to attempt to destroy everything historical and beautiful they can reach with their bombs; they are carrying total war to its ultimate stage.

Mr Herbert Morrison, when announcing the compulsory scheme, found it necessary to include a rebuke in his statement. "In more cities than one some of you have failed your country. This must never happen again," he declared. These are stern words, and possibly convey more than Mr Morrison intended they should. Few, if any, in Hongkong have had first-hand experience of modern raids, carried out as they are by the Nazis with all their insensate brutality and utter disregard for place or person; yet what little has been seen here through the cinema has been sufficient to excite the imagination and to set one wondering how the people at home have been able to stand it as they have. Furthermore, the authenticated stories of heroism by the various voluntary fire-fighting and war services in England are sufficient to show that, by and large, there has been a wonderfully concerted effort to thwart Hitler's attempts to destroy and terrorise.

Mr Morrison's words must not be taken so much as an indictment as an urgent appeal. It is possible that someone blundered last Sunday when so many famous and historical buildings were laid waste; but this cannot be laid at the door of the average man and woman in England; their efforts hitherto have been too splendid to warrant such an indictment, what it means is that from henceforth, Britain generally must

"If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being"

THE German-Italian-Japanese pact ought to make clear to Americans, if there are any who still need convincing, that this is no European war, but a world revolution for the redistribution of the entire planet.

That's what it was intended to be in the beginning; that's what it is; and in the nature of things it is directed as much against the United States as against anybody else.

THE Axis has functioned in regard to Japan just as it functioned in regard to Italy.

Germany started the war in Poland with the clear understanding that the move would involve Britain and France. Italy entered at the precise moment agreed upon—with the collapse of France. Germany could, it was reckoned, handle France by herself; for the war with Britain she would need Italy.

Had the Battle of Britain succeeded in the autumn, by a few

Down Lambeth Way—To-day

by G. R. STRAUSS

(Labour M.P. for Lambeth North)

From New York to New Guinea, Lambeth Walk is known to-day as a typical corner of Cockney London.

Like most other parts of the Metropolis—like, in fact, most urban districts in Britain—it has been bombed savagely.

In telling its story, then, Mr. Strauss, whose constituency contains The Walk, is telling the story of all the great centres of population. For they are all the same. The accents may vary, but the talk of Lambeth Walk is the talk of the townsmen of Britain.

DO you remember the words of the song:—

"Everything free and easy,
"Do as you darn well please."

Of course, the "Walk," as we in Lambeth always call it, was in reality never a bit like that, and it certainly isn't a bit easy, and a thousand regulations prevent you doing "as you darn well please."

"Why don't you make your way there,"

"Go there, stay there."

There's nothing to prevent you making your way there, and if you care to know what the "Walk" is like to-day, I invite you to do so in my company. I doubt, though, whether you will want to stay there.

THEN AND NOW

But you must first know what the "Walk" was like before the war.

A long, narrow, rather mean street, lined with shops and stalls, where the neighbouring housewives did their marketing because the goods were cheap and one was bound to meet a friend or two with whom to gossip.

The "Walk" was a social and shopping centre of a poor working-class district. Only on Saturday nights did it come near to the colourful and glamorous place of the song.

There were crowds, gaily lit by the bright lights from the shop windows and the flares from the stalls, accordion music and laughter bursting from the pubs.

Nowadays on Saturday nights the "Walk" is deserted. You cannot go marketing in the blackout. And even in the daytime much of its colour has gone.

For a bomb landed plumb in its centre, smashed the shop windows almost the whole length, and rough wooden boards now hide the displays that used to brighten the thoroughfare.

This catastrophe did not completely dishearten one shopkeeper. When he arrived the next morning and found his plate glass had disappeared, he remarked to his neighbour: "Well,

expect raids of a nature similar to the fire attack on London. It seems fairly obvious that it was a test raid, likely to be repeated, or at least attempted, on a much larger scale in the future. Therefore, it clearly behoves the people of Britain to be ready to withstand such onslaughts. Only by a scheme such as that outlined by Mr Morrison can this preparation be effectuated. The knowledge is dark and harrowing, but opening days and nights of suffering and anguish; but the country has steeled itself for such a day, and, there is no doubt, is ready and willing to answer the new call for compulsory service.

there's one thing, I always did hate cleaning my windows."

Business is bad, because many of those who used to make up the "Walk" crowds have gone. The young men are in the Forces, most of the children are evacuated, and some of the mothers too.

Nevertheless, those who stay are still cheerful, although behind their cheerfulness there is constant anxiety and occasional tragedy.

But if you are in any doubt as to how Lambeth people are standing the strain, come along to the Rest Centre—formerly a college—where those who go are turned out of their homes by an "incident."

LISTEN

Listen to the comment of a shop girl, who, with her family, had been bombed out of her home in the middle of the night. She was busy helping to prepare breakfast for the others.

"I have always wanted to go to college," she said. "And now here I am."

I don't want you to think the people of the "Walk" are indifferent to the discomforts and dangers of the raids. Far from it. They are suffering severely.

It is no fun sitting up all night and every night with young children in a crowded shelter. And it's no fun queuing up from early in the afternoon to reserve your place in the basement of one of the big office buildings in the neighbourhood, or in an underground station.

Nevertheless, I have yet to hear a single word which would suggest any weakening of their will to fight on to victory.

And it isn't all contentment and good humour in Lambeth either. There is much resentment, angry resentment.

Against Hitler, of course—for hatred of him is permanent and unshakable—but also against the authorities.

Particularly because of the shortage of shelters, but for many other reasons too.

People who plainly ought to be out of London and were anxious to go found that they did not fall within any Government evacuation scheme. Invalids for example. I know of a bed-ridden woman whose husband wanted to get her away as soon as the severe bombing started.

He found, after applying to various authorities, that there was no provision for her removal. So she had to stay in London, although she could not even get to a shelter at night.

Then there are the old people, who, if they want to stay with relations in the country, lose their Supplementary Pension and are unable to pay the rent of their London homes.

No wonder there is anger. And, believe me, when the people of the "Walk" are angry they express their feelings in words that are outspoken and vivid, as Herbert Morrison, himself a Lambeth man, well knows. His appointment was in the nick of time. He has already done much to restore confidence.

CARRYING ON

But in spite of all the upheavals of the war and the folly of the authorities, Lambeth Walk carries on. Pinned on the boards which take the place of smashed shop windows, are notices which say, "Business as usual."

Nor have the people lost their Cockney wit. As I passed the shop next to the one destroyed by the bomb, the owner looked at the rubble, pined feet high in the front of his premises, and asked me as I passed, "Can you lend me a Hoover, Mr Strauss?"

Drabber and rather battered, its people fewer and their lips a little tighter, but their spirit unchanged—that is what you would find now "If you go down Lambeth way."

United States Stands or Falls With Britain

By

Dorothy Thompson

weeks' "blitzkrieg" after the pattern of France, then Japan probably would not have been invoked at this moment.

With the citadel of the British Empire in Axis hands, the Near Eastern and Far Eastern possessions and Commonwealth members could have been cleaned up between the three Axis partners.

Now, by the roundabout route of Japan, Germany and Italy manage to send what amounts to an ultimatum to the United States.

If the U.S.A. moves in Europe or joins the war on the side of any Axis enemy, all three Powers regard her as an enemy.

If ever there was a time when the words "United we stand, divided we fall" had meaning, it has been the period since the Axis came into being.

THE Battle for Britain is not a battle for an overcrowded scrap of geography.

The Battle for Britain is the Battle for the Atlantic Ocean, just as the Battle for France with Britain was the Battle for the Mediterranean and the sea-lanes to Africa, the Near East and Asia.

If the European Fascist Powers control the Atlantic from Europe, and Japan controls the Pacific from Asia, the United States will be penned in by the oceans and will be finished as a great Power. We shall either accept this dictum or not accept it. Not accepting it will mean war, and war alone, by our selves.

The Axis is ingenious in revealing who its enemies really are at just the right moment.

Also, the European end of the Axis may greatly hope that our attention will now be diverted to the Far East—our attention and our defence effort. I hope we are not so easily diverted.

The United States stands or falls in the Far East with Great Britain. We stand or fall in both the Atlantic and the Pacific with Great Britain.

The disposition of affairs in the Far East will depend upon the outcome in Europe and in the Atlantic. Japan knows this—otherwise, why the Axis and why the new pact?

What the minimum German

war aims really are is ingeniously revealed by Dr Schacht, who is writing down a blueprint for the new World Germanica, in a book to be published at the right moment.

Dr Schacht announces quite simply that the real objects of this war are the breaking of the "plutocracies"—namely, Great Britain and the United States.

THE Japanese angle reveals itself in the plan that after this war the United States is to have no interests whatsoever, commercial or otherwise, in the Pacific.

We are to be allowed to trade exclusively with Europe—which needs some of our products—and with South America, where, divided we fall, far from having a "Sphere of Influence," we are to be apportioned "quotas."

We are to be allowed to trade only through a monopolistic import-export syndicate, to be set up for the whole continent of Europe, necessitating the end of individual trading in this country and the establishment of a similar government monopoly here.

We shall be invited to stabilise our currencies together with Japan, Russia and pan-Fascist Europe, and merge the banking systems; but Germany will keep the rubber mark for merchant States will be penned in by the disc and tourist trade.

The debts of all Germany's vassals will be recognised in principle, but will be paid, in war, and war alone, by our goods.

For Latin America, which lives by exports, this system will mean economic strangulation or collaboration, and we shall eventually have the Axis at our gates.

★ The U.S.A. needs Allies. It needs them immediately and desperately. We ought to reverse our limited thinking.

It is not and never has been a question of whether the British Empire needs us; it is a question whether we need the British Empire. We do.

If Britain is defeated, we shall be alone against the world. Invaded or not, invaded, we shall live on the terms of the conquerors and be back where we were in 1776.

Finally, America's defence programme is utterly inadequate. It will not be adequate until we recognise a state of emergency and mobilise the entire man power, machine power, and money power of the country for defence, letting everything else take second place.

FUNNY SIDE UP By Abner Dean



"Can you wait? . . . I expect a phone call any minute!"

K.R.A. And Mainland Problems

Inadequacy Of The K'loon Bus Service

At the December meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association, the question of the procedure to be followed by patients seeking admission to or treatment at Government hospitals, which has been receiving their attention for some time, was finally disposed of.

Investigations proved that most of the complaints regarding the Kowloon Hospital were due, not to the new regulations themselves, but rather to the faulty administration of those regulations, and it was reassuring to note that the Hon. Director of Medical Services had stressed the fact that any complaint in respect of any side of hospital management, treatment, or administration, if made to him at the time or as soon after as possible, would be immediately enquired into, and Dr Selwyn-Clarke had personally assured the Association that he would closely investigate any such complaints.

It was generally conceded that the fundamental cause of any dissatisfaction with the new regulations or for the need of such regulations, was the inadequacy of hospital facilities in the Colony, and it was decided that the Association should now direct its attention to the possibility of making suggestions or proposals which would tend to assist in improving and increasing those facilities; a special Sub-Committee was therefore appointed with this aim in view.

The report and recommendations of Mr C. E. Terry were unanimously adopted, and the Hon. Secretary was instructed to express the appreciation of the Association to the Hon. Dr P. S. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, for the courteous and patient manner in which he has dealt with the representations made to him; at the same time he was directed to record in the minutes a vote of thanks to Mr Terry for his valuable work and report.

Kowloon Bus Service
As the result of further correspondence with The Kowloon Motor Bus Co. (1933) Ltd., regarding the congestion on all the main bus routes, this subject again received considerable discussion.

For some time past, there have been constant complaints by the travelling public about the overcrowding and lack of accommodation on the buses, and the Association has made representations to the management of the Bus Company on the matter both by interviews and correspondence. The explanation given by the Bus Company from time to time was that the trouble is mainly due to a shortage of vehicles, owing to the non-arrival of rolling-stock from Great Britain, some of the orders for which were placed even before the commencement of the war.

It has now been definitely ascertained that there is very little prospect of the Bus Company being able to obtain anything like the required number of British made vehicles from the United Kingdom in the near future.

The management stated that they have made and are making every effort to cope with the situation. They had already petitioned Government for permission to purchase, for the duration of the war, American-made vehicles for the purpose of replacement and enlargement of their present fleet of buses, and although this petition had been sent in some time ago, nothing had yet been heard in reply, consequently the ordering or purchase of such vehicles was held up.

The Company had also again appealed to Government to allow them to use "double-deck" vehicles on the main routes, in the same way as has been sanctioned on the Island, two chassis for "double-deck" bodies were actually in hand, and one of them with a frame-work body fitted to it had recently been tested on the road by the traffic department.

Something Should Be Done
Some pungent remarks were made at the meeting regarding the apparent helplessness of the Bus Company to effect any practical means for coping

with the situation, and it was emphasized that whatever quarter was responsible for the impasse, it was essential that something should be done to remove the constant and continued irritation to the residents of Kowloon, which the inadequate bus service involved.

It was pointed out that the failure to provide for the replacement of unserviceable vehicles in due time, not only detrimentally affects the interests of the Bus Company themselves, but also gives rise to a grave danger of the transport services on the peninsula being seriously dislocated in the near future, a situation which might have vital repercussions in the event of an emergency. An urgent question generally is of paramount public importance, it was decided to draw the attention of Government to the matter.

Other business dealt with at the meeting was of a routine nature. Those present were: Mr Lam Wing-fan, President; Mr D. W. Munton, Vice-President; Mr F. C. Mow Fung, Hon. Secretary; Mr R. H. Wong, Hon. Treasurer; Dr S. G. Kirkby-Gomes, Major C. M. Mannings, Lt Col E. D. Matthews, Miss R. Mow Fung, Messrs R. Pestonji, D. C. Silver, J. N. Sweeney, C. E. Terry, and B. Wylie. Apologies for absence were received from Hon. Mr Leo D'Almada e Castro, Rev. J. R. Higgins, Mr I. N. Murray and Mr R. A. da Silva.

BRITISH SCHOOLS

New Post-War System

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Britain is determined to continue her educational reforms when the war is over, Mr H. Ramsbotham, President of the Board of Education, told a conference of school teachers to-day.

Immediately after the war is over, the school-leaving age will be raised from 14 to 15 in accordance with the Education Act of 1936.

The Board will aim at compulsory education up to the age of 16 but various courses of teaching will have to be devised to suit the capacities of the children.

The Minister assured school teachers that the mistakes made after the last war will not be repeated. There will be great changes in the social and economic life of the country, changes which will have a profound effect on children between the ages of 14 and 16.

Now is the time to lay down plans for far-reaching reforms in education for children between the ages of 11 and 16.

Difficulties During War

The Board of Education, giving careful thought to this problem, is experiencing in war time, Mr Ramsbotham said that in many places school buildings have been severely damaged by bombs while in others the buildings have been taken over for civil defence purposes.

On the whole, however, education is bearing the strain remarkably well.

India And A.R.P.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The question of providing for the safety of important buildings in the city and the surrounding industrial areas against possible air raids is engaging the attention of the Bengal Government.

German Bombs Again Kill People In Eire

DUBLIN, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—More bombs were dropped on Eire territory early this morning.

High explosive and incendiary bombs dropped last night killed and seriously wounded a number of British people. One of the incendiary bombs picked up was identified as German. Other bombs have been collected and are being examined by experts.

A statement by the Eire Government Information Bureau reporting these bombings, lists six areas in the eastern counties of Eire where bombs were dropped and recorded the death of three women, two persons seriously injured and a number injured.

"On the Curragh race course," says the official statement, "three high explosive bombs were dropped and a large number of incendiary bombs fell in this area. An incendiary bomb picked up near Curragh was identified as German."

The statement adds that the first bomb fell near Drogheda, Ave at Duleek and three at Julianstown. There were no casualties.

Houses Demolished
At 8.10 a.m. to-day, two bombs were dropped at Rathdown Park, Terenure, Dublin. Two houses were demolished and several houses were damaged.

Seven persons were trapped in the demolished houses but were later rescued. Several people were injured.

Two other bombs dropped in Fortfield Road and the Laverna area of the same district. Some houses were damaged but there were no casualties.



NAZI SUPPLY SHIP BOMBED

An official photograph of the bombing of a German supply ship by a Fleet Air Arm. The ship—of about 2,500 tons—was lying at Haugesund when attacked. More than one direct hit was registered.

To Fight Air Raid Fires

Executive Body Named

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Prime Minister has approved of the immediate establishment of a special organisation to be called the "Fire Prevention Executive" to secure prompt and vigorous action by various Government departments and authorities in applying effective measures in fire prevention in the target areas.

The new organisation, which will include responsible representatives of all Government departments concerned with the many aspects of the problem of fire prevention, will work in close association with the Minister of Home Security.

There will be the fullest possible delegation of responsibility to regions and to smaller areas within regions, and appropriate arrangements will be made for the supervision of work in Scotland.

The Postmaster General, Mr W. S. Morrison, will provide one of the meetings of the new executive.

Apportioning Task

The new committee will apportion the task of fire-watching. The Ministry of Aircraft Production, the Ministry of Supply and the Admiralty are among those whose special responsibility will be for their own factories.

The Ministry of Home Security will assume responsibility for all buildings, public, private and industrial, which do not come within the scope of other departments, and the homes of the whole civilian population will come under its wing.

Immediate Response

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—"The response to my appeal for the immediate formation of fire and bomb fighting parties in business and residential districts shows signs of being satisfactory," declared Mr Herbert Morrison, the Minister of Home Security, in a statement to-night.

Mr Morrison added that preliminary reports from all regions indicated that without waiting for the approach of warships and firemen a great number of men and women were offering their services either individually or after making up parties among themselves.

Gale Capsizes Boat

BOMBAY, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—At Noakhali (Bengal) 18 lives were lost as the result of the sinking of a boat in the channel between Chittagong and Sandwip Island.

The boat, which was carrying 22 passengers, was caught in a gale and capsized in midstream.

Stern Australian Judgment On Spies

CANBERRA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Traitors or spies will earn the death penalty if caught in Australia, declared Mr W. M. Hughes, the Attorney-General and Navy Minister, in an interview to-day.

Mr Hughes added: "If any traitor believes that a term of imprisonment will follow his detection, he is very much mistaken."

Italy Retires From Battle Of Britain

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—An Italian news agency message confirms that remnants of the Italian air contingent which have been operating with the Luftwaffe against Britain, have been withdrawn.

This news is contained in an announcement that General Kesselring, Commander of the German air force in the west, has conferred the Adlerschild (Eagle Shield) Trophy, which he himself created, on the Italian Corps.

The award, according to the agency, was bestowed on the occasion of the "repatriation" of the Italian Corps, to whose commander General Kesselring wrote, thanking them for their effective collaboration in the fight.

Only a group of Italian fighters will remain in the Channel as a link "testifying to the continuance of solidarity between Italian and German aviation."

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

ROME, Jan. 2 (UP).—It is understood that the German planes which will be assigned to Italy to fight in the Mediterranean basin will be complete, in every detail including land crews, machine shops and repairmen; however, they will be under the Italian High Command.

It is understood that this involves several hundred planes.

The Italian newspaper *Piccolo* in an order of the day, said: "The German corps must be considered as a large Italian unit. I fervently greet our German comrades while they are preparing to fight in our skies for a common victory."

Duce Accepts Help

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The announcement of the presence of a contingent of the German air force in Italy means that to a greater or lesser degree Mussolini has surrendered control over his air force to Germany.

This is the view of well-informed air circles in London.

The news has not come altogether as a surprise. The extent of the surrender of control will be proportionate to the measure of assistance Mussolini has been forced to accept. It is well-known that Mussolini has always been most reluctant to accept such German "support."

If it comes to attempting to ex-

INDIAN ANTI-NAZI FRONT

Positive Help To Britain

CALCUTTA, Jan. 2 (Reuter).

The formation of a non-Party organisation definitely pledged to support the anti-Nazi front and to assist the war effort, was recommended by the All-India Conference in Calcutta, presided over by Mr M. N. Roy, a former prominent Communist and now leader of the Radical Democratic People's Party.

The conference considered that there must be rapid development of the war resources of the country and to that end, emergency ministries should be set up in the provinces.

It was decided to formulate a programme for consideration by the All-India Convention to be called in Delhi.

RED ARMY CHANGE

MOSCOW, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—General Shadanko, Deputy Commander of Defence, has been relieved of his post.

Chinese Successes In Shansi Reported

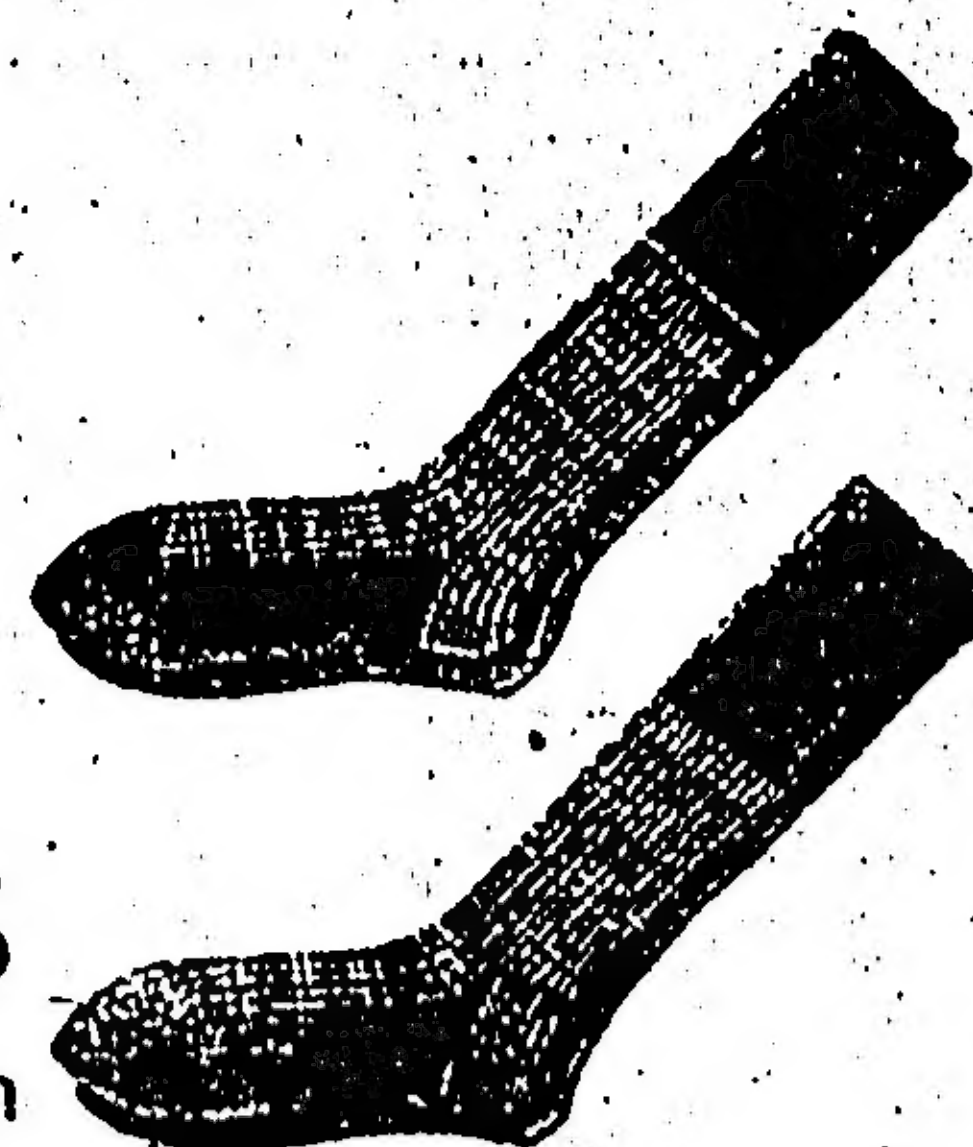
LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Chinese have attacked with considerable success the Japanese lines of communication in Shansi and Hupeh, says the Moscow radio.

These lines of communication supply the Japanese garrisons in these provinces and were recently greatly strengthened.

The attacking Chinese troops were followed by a large number of civilians who picked up war material, notably railway lines, and carried them a long distance into the interior to distant arsenals where the metal will be used for munitions. Some \$2,000,000 worth of steel was transported in this manner.

Chinese irregulars have not only destroyed 70 bridges and 230 miles of railway track but have also recaptured considerable areas in Shansi province, states Moscow radio.

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HONGKONG SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF CHILDREN

The Society asks for \$28,000

In 1941 to meet the increasing needs of sick and destitute children in Hong Kong. The number of children assisted last year was 5,100.

A copy of the Annual Report for 1940 may be obtained from:

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"Captain Foster's" Racing Review

Australian Griffins In Demand

Recent Auction Of New Ponies Arouses Great Local Interest

THE RECENT AUCTION SALES of 41 imported Australian griffins (to be raced in Spring) under the auspices of the Hongkong Jockey Club proved a great success, and the Stewards must have been quite satisfied with the response shown by the eagerness of owners to bid as each lot was parading in the ring.

It was the first and greatest undertaking of its kind by any Racing Club in the Orient and I cannot help remarking that the success will not only provide good racing but will ensure an established class of ponies for the future. A salient feature of the auction was that the Hongkong Jockey Club made a huge profit in the enterprise, and, furthermore, members of the Club were content with their purchases.

The Club stipulated a limit of \$1,250 per griffin, but it is interesting to state that only one lot (No. 24 by Weatherwise) was knocked down at the upset price to Mr. T. K. Li, who has named the pony Odin.

The highest price was \$8,100 for a brown mare (No. 6 by Dignus by Dignity by Gahabourah) out of Lady Becca by Paced from Devise by Woorak and the pony is now named Glomming and belongs to Mr. Eu Tong-sen.

The second highest bid was \$8,000 paid by Mr. Li Lon-sang for a bay gelding (No. 25 by Farr by Farman from Dame Perleote out of Bounty by Buckwheat by Marston by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly) and the owner wants his new purchase (a brother to Far View and Sapper, the two outstanding ponies of 1940) to be known as Distant View.

A good few animals fetched \$3,000 and over, but the average price of the 41 animals worked out at \$2,746 each, and the Club came out of the frying pan with a new profit of \$1,000 per mope.

Prejudice Routed

THERE was at one time, without fear of any contradiction, a cer-

tain amount of prejudice against Australian ponies owing to the fact that they could not stand much racing. But owners are now realising that the cobs from the Antipodes are hardy, and the percentage of those appearing on the "walking list" has been much less than the cross-breds from North China.

It is my humble opinion that the failure to supply China pony subscription griffins by the Russian dealers for last year's racing was a blessing in disguise.

However, Hongkong will know in future where to find good substitutes without approaching the "Government for export permit," and at the same time members of the Hongkong Jockey Club will not be called upon to give an undertaking that they will not export their ponies to China.

There was no doubt that a good few griffins at the auction were bought on their pedigrees, but the Club accepted no responsibility for wrong description.

In perusing the catalogue issued by the club, I found that griffin No. 26 has "good blood," the dam being Bounty by Buckwheat by Marston by Bend Or from Tiger Lilly. It will therefore be seen that Distant View is the only pony that has a bit of that famous Bend Or's blood.

Eleven New Events For Australian Griffins At Annual Meet

The programme for Hongkong Jockey Club's Annual Race Meeting, 1941, which will be held at Happy Valley on February 15, 17, 18, 19 and 22, contains eleven races for an entirely new class of pony, the Australian Griffins, a number of which were imported by the Jockey Club and 41 of them were sold at private auctions to members of the Club last October.

These races are the Austral Valley Stakes, the Austral Maiden Stakes and the Austral Trial Plate on the first day; Austral Black Rock Stakes and Austral Derby on the second day; the Chatter Cup and Austral Racing Stakes on the third day; the Austral Hopetide Stakes and Austral Grand Stand Stakes on the fourth day and the Caulfield Stakes and Yarra Stakes on the fifth and final day.

There are 19 events limited to the Australian Griffins of which 113 were drawn as against 62 last year.

DERBY DAYS

The Hongkong Derby will be run

on the second day and the Rooty Hill Derby and Sports Club Cup on the third day.

The Australian Champions and Hongkong Champions will take place on the fourth day, while the Professional Cup and Australian Subscription ponies Champions will be held on the last day.

Twelve races will be held on each of the first four days commencing at 11.30 a.m. with the usual fifteen minute interval. 1.30 p.m. Racing on the fifth and final day will start at 2 p.m. and will comprise only nine events.

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HISTORY OF THE BEND OR SIRE-LINE

Strain That Dominates World's Thoroughbreds

QUITE RECENTLY the writer came across an interesting subject "The Bend Or Sire-Line" by "Royston" in one of the London magazines of 1939 and I am sure the reproduction of that article in this column will be a pleasant reading not only to owners but to men of the turf as well. Hereunder is the story:

It may sound extraordinary, but it is nevertheless a fact that the sire-line (the top line in a pedigree) descending from Bend Or practically dominates the thoroughbreds of the world.

In this country it most commonly descends via Bona Vista, Cyllene, Polymelus and Phalaris; in France and America via Ormonde, Orme, Flying Fox, Ajax and Teddy; last year in England, 125 direct descendants of this famous horse, sired 546 winners of 801 races carrying £270,000 out of a total of 1,534 winners of 2,300 races that carried £824,010 in stakes and—all this from an equine basis whose grandam was purchased as a lady's hack for 18 gns.

Now for the story. In 1875 the recently-created first Duke of Westminster paid £14,000, which in those days was an almost unprecedented price, for a horse called Doncaster. Bred at Sledmere and blessed (?) with the name of All Heart and No Peel, he was bought as yearling by a Mr. Merry for 950 gns., and after having his name changed, won the Derby, the Ascot Gold Cup, the Alexandra Plate and other races of £7,510, before being sold by Mr. Merry to his trainer, Robert Peel for £10,000 and passed on a day or two later, to the Duke of Westminster at the figure mentioned, and sent to the Eton Stud, near Chester, where he stood as a stallion at a fee of 100 gns. and a guinea the groom.

At the time of his arrival at Eton there was a mare there called Rouge Rose, and the mating between the two for night and day, resulted in BEND OR, but Rouge Rose cannot be left at that.

Bought for 18 Guineas

IN 1852 a Colonel Pearson, later to become a General, was looking out for a horse for his wife and came across a twelve-year-old mare with a foal at foot, belonging to the then Duke of Grafton, and bought them for 18 gns. and 12 gns. respectively.

The mare was named Ellen Horne; the foal, Paradigm. The latter, who twice won ten winners of £60,417 for Colonel Pearson, among them being the triple-crown winner, Lord Lyon; the One Thousand Guineas and St. Leger heroine, Achievement; the Cambridgehire winner, Gardevoir; Cheviotness, the dam of the Oaks winner, Jannette; and Paradigm, the direct ancestress of twenty-two classic winners that include such as Ladis, Cicero, Vaulsue, Saucy Sue, Book Law and Pay Up.

Meantime Ellen Horne had seen out her days as a hack, and at the age of twenty was mated with the Derby winner, Thormanby, and in due course foaled Rouge Rose, who never ran and was bought by the Duke of Westminster as a twelve-year-old.

So much for Bend Or's breeding. On the racecourse he was unbeaten as a two-year-old, and the following season took the Derby and the St. James's Palace Stakes, winding up his career with successes in the City and Suburban, the Epsom Gold Cup and the Champion Stakes as a four-year-old, and replying to the Studd with £17,518 to his credit.

Romance of Ormonde

JUST as he was one of the first get of his sire so Ormonde was one of his, and just as romance centred round his dam so did it round that of Ormonde.

Some time in the autumn of 1844 John Osborne, the Middleham trainer, purchased a mare and her foal from a Mr. Minor, of Shrewsbury, for "twenty guineas or thereabouts."

The mare, Annette, need not be bothered with; the foal, to become Annes, made history like Ellen Horne and Paradigm.

Annes bred Miss Annes who was sold to Sir Tatton Sykes, of Sledmere, and for him produced Polly Annes, a miserable undersized foal that he gave to his stud-groom on condition that she left the stud.

Polly Annes grew up and foaled Lily Annes, who after winning twenty-one races including the Northumberland Plate, the Doncaster Cup and the Great Ebor Handicap, was sold to the Duke of Westminster, and for him bred the

One Thousand Guineas winner, Forewell to Doncaster, and Ormonde, Osory, Fleur de Lys, and at the age of sixteen, Sceptre's dam, Ornament, to Bend Or.

Parting of the Lines

WITH Ormonde, who won the triple-crown and many other races of £28,465, comes the parting of the Bend Or lines. In his first season as a stallion, he sired Orme, and then after missing a season through illness, was sold to an Argentine buyer for £12,000, and was then passed on to a Californian breeder for £30,000.

But he was a failure as a sire of winners, and left Orme, who won two Eclipse Stakes and other events of £32,526 in value, to pass on the male line to Flying Fox, who, after winning the triple-crown, the Eclipse Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes and other events of £40,000 in the Westminster livery, was sold at the death of the Duke, in 1890, to M. Edmond Blanc for 37,500 gns. and was exported.

In France he begat the French Derby and Grand Prix de Paris winner, Ajax, who through his son, Teddy, and his son, Sir Gallahad III, has put the line into such a strong position in France and in America.

The Line in England

MEANTIME Bona Vista, a half-brother to the Derby winner, Sir Visto, and to Velasquez from Macaroni's daughter, Vesta, who won the Two Thousand Guineas and other races of £5,835, carried on in England and before being sold to Austria-Hungary, sired Cyllene, a horse who was deprived of classic successes through omission of entry, but nevertheless scored in the Newmarket Stakes, the Jockey Club Stakes, the Ascot Gold Cup and other events of £6,030, became the sire of the Derby winners, Cicero, Lemberg, Minor, and the filly Tagall.

The blood of the first three is nowadays seldom seen in the sire-line of a pedigree, but the join-up with present-day sires was made, through Polymelus, a good handicapper with the Duke of York Stakes and the Cambridgehire winner, Cicero, Lemberg, responsible for the war-time Derby winners, Pommer and Filinella for the Epsom Derby winner, Humourist, and for Phalaris another good handicapper who begat, among others, the Two Thousand Guineas winners, Manna and Colorado; the One Thousand Guineas heroine, Fair Isle; the Derby victor, Fairway, and the St. Leger winner, Fairway.

Most Prolific

COLORADO is dead, as is Fairway's brother, Pharos, but the line is the most prolific one in the country, and though not overburdened with stamina, the most popular.

This season Blue Peter has put the Two Thousand Guineas and the Derby to its credit, and Phalaris has done it further honour through victories in the French Derby and the Prix de Paris, while at the moment, three of the first six leading sires of winners in this country belong to it.

All credit must go to Bend Or, but the smaller breeder would do well to remember his ancestry; the poor and the rich have the same chance when the breeding of bloodstock is concerned, and there are still Ellen Hornes and Anneses to be found; there has seldom been a better time for the bloodstock industry.

From the catalogue of the Hongkong Jockey Club there are a few winners traced down from such famous horses as Cyllene (a horse who was deprived of classic success through omission of entry), Polymelus, Flying Fox and Cicero (son of Cyllene). They will, of course, be seen in action at the Spring meeting and it is to be hoped that all of them will uphold the dignity of their ancestors.

Stanford Win

ROSE BOWL CLASSIC

PARADENA, Jan. 1 (UP).—Stanford University emerged triumphantly from their American Rose Bowl classic against Nebraska, winning today by 21 points to 13 before an enormous crowd.

SPLENDID CRICKET ON THE CLUB GROUND

Century By T. G. C. Knight And "Fireworks" From R. H. Griffiths

(By "R. Abbit")

IF WE GET many days for cricket like that on New Year's Day in 1941 there will be no complaints. It was perfect cricket weather—bright sun and a fresh breeze blowing.

Club and Wanderers agreed to play twelve-a-side, and the latter team took first knock on what seemed to be an excellent pitch.

Grose and Coombes opened to Baker and Perry, but after Coombes had snicked Baker dangerously for four and two in the first over, he was bowled by the first ball of the second, which seemed to come up from leg. 7-1-6.

Here, however, Club success ceased as Alec Pearce and Grose played the bowling with confidence. Perry seemed to be swinging across from the off, and Baker coming in from leg, which is not his usual habit. At 25, Baker was relieved by Knight, and the first time Pearce played a bad shot was when he sent the 40 up with a snick past slip's right hand. It was bad luck on Perry who was bowling well. At this period only 44 runs had been scored in 50 minutes.

Richardson Bowls

AT 48, Ride, no doubt in an attempt to break up the stand, put on Richardson. I suppose you can choke a cat with cream.

Anyway, 13 came off the first over, though I thought it unkind to make him field long leg when there were some upstanding young fellows in the slips.

The separation came from the other end, as Knight sent down a beauty that just chipped Pearce's pads and went on to his wicket. It came back a lot from the off. 63-2-37.

Richardson's next over was treated with the respect due to a Verity or Grinnitt, and only one run came from it. The next over Knight bowled Swyer. 71-3-2.

He took a rest after this, and Grose went on again at the Yard end. Perry also assumed and his first ball clean bowled Skipwith. 92-4-8.

There was a quiet spell, and Grose seemed to be set for a big innings when he lifted an over from McEllan (who had relieved Baker) and the latter—folding wide mid-on—shot up his right hand and brought off a wonderful catch. 100-5-37.

As a matter of fact, I am doubtful who were the more surprised—the fieldsmen, the batsman or the spectators.

A Six—But Trouble Later

LAWRENCE had been suspiciously quiet for some time, and I was not surprised when he opened up a bit and hit Perry nearly into the Hongkong Bank. A pretty late cut for a couple and a smack to square-leg for four came from McEllan's next over, but just as one was hoping for fireworks, he skied one from Haynes (on for Perry) and when the ball eventually came down the bowler caught it. 110-4-14.

Two runs later Head cut McEllan hard and the catch was smartly taken at second slip by Haynes. 118-7-4.

Batting Gloves

TRUE score got up to 150 and then Denyer got rather a nasty smack on the hand. From the way in which he lies down so much to hit the ball he is particularly likely to get hit between the hands, and he really ought to wear gloves. It is easy to learn—much easier than learning to wear one's dentist's teeth—and after a bit there is no handicap.

At 162 he cocked a half-hit one to Ride at mid-off off Knight. 162-3-28.

Scoring Continues

ALLANSON (I am told his name should be spelled Allinson, but the skipper spelt it the other way) was batting very steadily. I have never seen him before, but he is a bat with some very nice strokes. At this point, Club appeared to have completely lost control of the game. However, at 189 Denyer hit a very bad ball from McEllan to Denyer at cover, who judged the catch very well. 189-8-8.

Just after, Allanson was palpably caught at first slip by Haynes off Knight and was on his way to the Pavilion when something happened and he went back.

A few balls later, Bailey was l.b.w. 192-10-1.

And then McEllan bowled Allan-

son who had a go. 192-11-28.

Between the innings I found out

that the slip catch had been given

not out and being taken on the half-

volley. Though some of the batting

side agreed, the score-box view was

upheld by the batsman himself who

said it was a clean catch.

The Club Bat

RICHARDSON and Knight opened to Dewar (Yard end) and Finnie. In the former's first over, one crept atrociously outside the off-stump for four byes, and Richardson hooked a four.

Things thereafter proceeded sedately. The innings had started in nine minutes past three. The score rose slowly, and at 33 Coombes went on and had Richardson l.b.w. to his second ball. 33-1-18. Alec Pearce bowled for Dewar.

Runs Come

APART from this, Coombes met with no further success at once. Both Knight and Perry played his good ones and hit his bad ones. The score rose steadily, but the light was none too good as the day, so beautiful in the morning, had greyed over and the temperature was dropping.

With 78 on the board, Head went on for Coombes.

At 80, Perry was bowled by Alec Pearce with a ball he made no attempt to play. He came back about a foot and just touched the off ball. 96-2-31.

Knight's Fifty

KNIGHT completed his 50 soon after tea when Griffiths had joined him. He was square-cutting very nicely, while Griffith put his ears back and drove excellently—hitting very hard and playing the sort of cricket one expects from him but so seldom sees.

With 130 on the board, Skipwith went on at the Yard end—Dewar had already relieved Head at the other. Skipwith was inclined to be on the short side, and Griffiths hooked him excellently—as did Knight.

Coombes relieved him at 160, and Griffiths nearly ran Knight out calling for a sharp single on the off. However, a little later he hit a beautiful six nearly straight. Sixteen came from the over.

Bad Luck

HE was unfortunate to miss his 50 as he put his leg in front of one who obviously thought was clear of the

Golf

\$382 COLLECTED AT FANLING FOR "BOMBER" FUND

The first Golf competition for the "S. G. M. Post" and "H.K. Telegraph" Bomber Fund (a prize for which was presented anonymously) was won by G. M. Park (7) and G. Thompson (70), who tied with three up each and will play off. The former played over the Old Course and the latter over the New.

Other scores over the Old Course were W. S. Hillier (10) and L. R. Andrews (6) two up; Major W. G. Harvey (10), S. L. Lloyd (10) and J. Harrop (10) one up. There were numerous scores of all-square.

Other scores over the New Course were F. N. Merrick (10), Lt-Col E. D. Matthews (10) and T. Megarry (0) two up; Capt. A. C. Drew-Wilkinson (10), L. Lloyd (10), G. N. Tate (22) and J. H. B. Lee (11) one up; and numerous scores of all-square.

A cheque for \$382, the proceeds of the competition, has been sent to the South China Morning Post.

sticks, and was given out l.b.w. 181-3-48.

At 5.10, the winning hit was made, and the Club won by 7 wickets. The game, however, continued, and Bailey was given the ball at the Law Courts end, but he could not find a length.

Lawrence, with six men stationed around the boundary, went on for Coombes.

Mostly it was singles, but Knight's one 4 gave him his century. He had taken two hours to get his runs. Stumps were drawn with the score at 236 for 3 wickets.

Remarks

THE highlight of the match was Knight's century in which he hit sixteen 4's. One of the most attractive displays was Griffiths' innings, which was one of fine forcing cricket at a time when runs were needed.

For the losers, Pearce and Grose gave the impression that they were in for a big stand though the bowling was never loose, and they had to play defensive cricket. But once they were gone, only Allanson—or is it Allinson?—seemed to get on top of the bowling, though Denyer played a good offensive knock and hit well. The latter did not go on to bowl as his finger was damaged when batting.

The Wanderers' bowling was weak, and the Club, for whom—as I have often said, the Civil Services bowl much better than their own Club—were distinctly better in that department.

It remains now for a full Club side to take on the R.C.C. It is a game I should very much like to watch.

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INTENSE RAIDS ON BARDIA

Smashing Blows By R.A.F.

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Royal Air Force raids on Bardia and Derna, and aerodromes in Timi and Gazala, are announced in a communiqué issued by R.A.F. Headquarters in the Middle East.

All bombs at Bardia burst in the target area but details of the damage were not observed. In Italian East Africa, the Rhodesian squadron destroyed a number of buildings near Sabderat while other aircraft of the same squadron made a dive attack on enemy positions in Keru 60 miles east-north-east of Kassala, destroying motor transport vehicles, starting a very large fire and silencing several A.A. guns.

From all operations all British aircraft returned safely.

Guns From Sidi Barrani

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Guns captured in the battle for Sidi Barrani and during the advance into Libya total 320 and include 20 heavy and 48 light A.A. guns, states today's communiqué.

The Italian garrison at Bardia shows no signs of activity and is allowing British forces to continue preparations and concentrations without any interference.

There is no change in the situation on other fronts.

Italians Quiet

CAIRO, Jan. 2 (UP).—The General Headquarters communiqué states:—

"The Italians at Bardia show no sign of activity. The captured guns now total 320 including 20 heavy and 48 light guns."

Rome Report

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" ROME, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Stefani news agency's correspondent at the Cyrenaica frontier reveals that since December 24 British troops have been daily assaulting the Italian positions in the vicinity of Jarabud, in an attempt to overwhelm the Italian lines.

He states that the British have gained the heights north of the oasis, but the Italian counter-attacks so far have been successful.

INSPECTION OF AUSTRALIANS

JERUSALEM, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—The Australian Army Minister, Mr. P. Spender, and the Chief of the Australian General Staff, Lieut-General Sturdee, have arrived at Palestine from Australia on an inspection visit of the Australian Imperial Force.

Exchange At A Glance

SELLING	
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T.T. Shanghai	4/10
T.T. Singapore	52 3/4
T.T. Japan	102 1/2
T.T. India	82 1/4
T.T. U.S.A.	20 3/4
T.T. Manila	40 3/4
T.T. Batavia	43 3/4
T.T. Bangkok	101 1/4
T.T. Saigon	140
T.T. France	101 1/4
T.T. Switzerland	99 1/4
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/4
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4 m/s L/C London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s D/P London	1/3 1/4
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	24 1/4
4 m/s France	Nom.
30 d/s India	84 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02 1/4
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	4.03 1/4

ITALIAN SABOTAGE

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Barracks occupied by an Italian garrison at the frontier town of Postumia (on the road from Trieste to Lubiana, Yugoslavia) have been set afire. Four civilians have been arrested, suspected of sabotage and the entire garrison is under strict observation.



THE DUKE OF KENT jumping from a plane which carried him to an operational training unit in the North. The Duke saw pilots being trained in Britain's latest fighter machines.

Prisoners, Aliens and Women Toil For Reich

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—Facts regarding labour wartime conditions in Germany revealed by an official of the British Ministry of Economic Warfare, show that despite dictatorial powers, the Nazi Government has not been able to achieve 100 per cent. control of the workers' movement nor to use all skilled labour.

Wages are fixed and it is illegal for employers to pay more, but it appears that a tremendous amount of overtime is being worked. Hours in the factories vary between 10 and 12 daily and Government has been compelled to make concessions concerning overtime pay.

One of Germany's main problems will be transport and distribution and, with the effects of the British blockade, there may soon be a shortage of vital products and supplies.

As a result of Royal Air Force activities there has been much damage to transport and distribution. It is understood that Germany has added 3,000,000 to its labour forces since the war, or 10 per cent more than pre-war figures. They consist of 1,000,000 foreigners and 1,000,000 prisoners of war engaged on civil work and 1,000,000 extra and odd men workers who had retired or who were not in the usual way available. The total number of women employed is now 300,000 more than at the beginning of the war.

Shortage Of Miners

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless).—There is a great shortage of miners in Germany which has put a violent brake on the coal output so essential if supplies of synthetic fuel, rubber and other commodities are to be maintained. Ruthless compulsion applied to all workers regardless of the type of work or home locality has forced the labour authorities to lavish "after victory" promises of all kinds on workers, one of these being the abolition of compulsory labour.

The Nazis have had to "soft-pedal" the conscription of women. Compulsion has been applied only to

British Journalist Expelled

LISBON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—W. Lucas, for many years the London "Times" correspondent in Portugal, has been ordered to leave the country within 48 hours on account of an article written by him in an American review. In it he alleged that German influence existed in Portugal.

General Antonescu's New Move

Military Regime Is Set Up In Rumania

LONDON, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—What amounts to a military regime has been organised by General Antonescu in Rumania during the past few days, according to the Istanbul correspondent of a Free French agency, who states that this Army Government appears to be superseding the former "Legionary State."

BULGARIA MUST ACCEDE

If Germany Demands Passage For Troops

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH" SOFIA, Jan. 2 (UP).—Official sources admitted to-day that Bulgaria will be forced to consent if Germany demands the free passage of troops across Bulgaria.

The Bulgarians estimated there were over 250,000 German troops in Rumania and another 250,000 in Hungary; however, reliable quarters close to the Axis said that there were nearly 600,000 German troops in Rumania.

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12.30 Chopin—Concerto No. 2 in F Minor, Op. 21 by Arthur Rubinstein (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra cond. by John Barbirolli.

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather Report.

1.03 Excerpts from Gilbert and Sullivan's "Trial by Jury" and "The Gondoliers."

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 The London Palladium Orchestra and Glita Alpar (Soprano).

2.15 Close Down.

5.45 Indian Programme.

6.30 Closing Local Stock Quotations.

6.32 Rossini—La Boutique Fantasque—London Philharmonic Orchestra conducted by Eugene Goossens.

7.00 London Relay—The News.

7.15 London Relay—"Questions of the Hour."

7.30 A Programme by Carroll Gibbons (Piano) and Sam Browne (Vocal).

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.

8.03 Orchestre Napoléon and Deanna Durbin (Vocal)—Souvenir De Pausilippe—Serenade Napoléon.

A. Franceschi—Napoléon Song—Orchestre Napoléon; Someone to Care for Me, 11 Echo, Deanna Durbin.

8.10 Orchestre Napoléon; Tarantelle, Chant De Sirène, Orchestre Napoléon; The Maids of Cadiz, My Own, Deanna Durbin (Vocal).

8.15 Orchestre Napoléon; Notte Sur Mare—Barcarolle, Orchestre Napoléon.

8.30 London Relay—"Theatre Land."

9.00 London Relay—The News and News Commentary.

9.30 London Relay—Talk: "Books and People."

9.45 Norman Long in a Humorous

The correspondent bases his information on reports from responsible persons in Bucharest.

The Police, railways, posts, telegraphs and even national banks, have been placed under military jurisdiction with the secret assent of the Germans who, at General Antonescu's request, have sent more troops to Rumania.

The correspondent adds that in Rumanian political circles it is considered that the present movement of German troops do not reach the high figures quoted abroad. They simply consist of a new German Division which will take several days to transport.

Internal Situation

(REUTERS'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT)

RUMANIAN FRONTIER, Jan. 1 (Reuter).—The unhealthy internal situation in Rumania wherein Communists and other left wing elements are coming into conflict with the Iron Guard—is the main reason for the drafting of more German troops into the country.

Such is the gist of reliable information obtained from Germany, from neighbouring Balkan capitals and from Bucharest itself.

Germany has not sent anything like a quarter of a million troops into Rumania, as reported in some quarters. Allowing for replacements, the total strength of Nazi effectives is believed to be about three divisions. Much of the scaled railway traffic passing through consists of weapons with armaments which are being sent to pay for Rumanian oil.

Preventing Sabotage

Berlin apparently believes that three divisions are necessary to prevent sabotage of Nazi economic interests in Rumania and to smother increasing agitation against the Nazi-supported Antonescu regime on the part of Communists and other opposition elements.

Underlying the whole situation is the fundamental conflict between the Iron Guard and Communist ideologies. The developing of the anti-Communist campaign of the Iron Guard has led to a note from the Soviet Minister demanding its cessation.

Soviet circles in the Balkans believe that the new German Minister to Rumania, Baron von Killinger, is about to re-organise the Gestapo's control of Rumania, using Iron Guard men instrument against the Communists.

Dangerous Peasantry

An inquiry by a leading Bucharest paper among its correspondents in many towns and villages has shown that the urban working classes are already under Communist influence. Peasants are standing aloof from the Legionary regime and are also in a highly dangerous mood.

From this it is evident that if Germany attempts to get Rumania to march by her side in any adventurous policy there will be violent reaction among many Rumanians.

Variety Programme—In Our Village A.R.P. Nice Kind Sergeant-Major, Norman Long; Up Around The North Pole, What Can You Give a Nudist, Bertha Willmot with Orchestre; The Scoutmaster, John Tilley; Dennis, The Monks from Venice, My Young Man's Ever So Nice, Effie Atherton with Orchestre; Seven Vells, Dear Old Fashioned Thing, Norman Long with Piano.

10.15 Dance Music.

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Nazi Raider In Pacific A Glen Liner

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ralls were lowered and the Nazi flag was hoisted.
The captain was ordered to abandon ship and his crew were taken on board the warship while their ship was sunk.

Put Aboard Scharnhorst
Later they were transferred to the other Norwegian ship which had been captured and was under a German prize crew. This ship sailed to Kobe, put the men on board the Scharnhorst, crack German liner which has been in refuge there since the outbreak of war, left the following morning. After two or three days the Norwegian and British consuls arranged the transfer of the Norwegians to a British ship and some recently passed through Hongkong.

It is stated that not all the men came to Hongkong. Some were repatriated via Siberia having elected to return to their own country.

Australian Investigation
CANBERRA, Jan. 3 (Reuter).—The Navy Minister, Mr. W. M. Hughes, stated that the Naval Board was investigating statements by survivors that Nazi Pacific raiders possess information indicating that they know the British Admiralty code for communicating with merchant shipping. Interviews with survivors give no hint of the whereabouts of the bases from which the raiders and supply ships are refuelled and refitted.

Rumours Unsubstantiated
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Reliable British diplomatic representatives in Japan say that all reports fail to support the rumour that German raiders are being equipped as commerce raiders in Japanese ports.

ANGLO-POLISH FELICITATIONS

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless).—General Sikorski has received the following wire from the King in reply to his cable with the new year's wishes:
"Deeply touched by your kind wire. Please accept my very best wishes for yourself and your gallant forces, whose valuable contribution and determination in our mutual struggle I always follow with the keenest interest."

"Vague" Defence Regulations

Magistrate On Trespassing
"These defence regulations are very vague and I cannot convict anyone for trespassing on military land unless there is something to show that they actually knew they were trespassing. In this case there was no wire or notice provided to prevent such an occurrence, and I believe these people were ignorant of the fact that they were trespassing," said Mr. K. M. A. Barnett at Central Magistracy this morning when six married women were charged before him with trespassing on a gun track at Mount Davis.
The defendants Tsang Cheung, 24, Chik Tsai, 37, Chun Sul-chun, 22, Chin Kum, 40, Lui Mui, 26 and Ho Tat, pleaded ignorance and said they went there to collect tree leaves.
It was said that the accused were taking away a quantity of fern used for camouflage purposes, when they were arrested.
Accused were remanded 24 hours for further inquiries.

Pickpocket Caught

Chased and caught by a Chinese constable after having stolen a fountain pen from the pocket of Mr. R. Brampton, an engineer from President Pierce, at the entrance to the Star Ferry yesterday, Ho Man, 27, appeared before Mr. E. Himsforth at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.
He admitted a further charge of returning from banishment.
Sgt. Bethell prosecuted.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Authoritative circles forecast that the War Department will call up 100,000 men during January for training under the selective service programme.

Meat Ration Reduced

In Britain

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Ministry of Food announced that the meat ration which is now 1s. 10d. per week will be reduced to 1s. 6d. effective next Monday.

A severe meat shortage developed in London to-day with some butchers being forced to close their shops because their supplies were exhausted, while other shops announced that their customers would be allotted only 7d. to 1s. 1d. worth of meat, depending on the supplies.
The unprecedented Christmas rush, as well as the distribution and transportation difficulties are blamed for the shortage.

STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: The New Year opened with a good general demand for scrip, and prices advanced in some cases.

Buyers
Bank of East Asia \$74.50
Canton Ins. \$200
Union Ins. \$400
H.K. Fire Ins. \$137.50
Wharves \$93
H.K. Lands \$34
Trams \$17.75
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Electricity "N" \$39.75
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Daily Farms \$18.75
Watsons \$10.70
Entertainments \$7
Constructions "O" \$1.60
Sellers
Wharves \$95
Trams \$18
Vibro Piling \$7.70
Sales
Docks "O" \$18.30
Electricity "O" \$40.25
Daily Farms \$18.80
Watsons \$10.65/70

LATE NEWS

GREEKS ADVANCE ON VALONA

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killing two officers and eleven soldiers, and wounding twenty others.

Metaxas' Message
ATHENS, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—"We begin 1941 resolved to fight to the last breath until the enemy has been exterminated," declared General Metaxas, the Greek Prime Minister, in a New Year message to the Greek people.
"We begin 1941 in the knowledge that our struggle will be long and hard and that we shall suffer, but we are determined that we will endure all in order to bring our struggle to a conclusion worthy of our Greece."

Fortress Captured
SOFIA, Jan. 2 (UP).—The Greek Radio announced that the Greeks last Thursday occupied a "very important Italian fortress," but it did not specify the name or the locality.
"Almost all the heights between Kilsura and Tepelini are in our hands. Large scale fighting is in progress north of Chirmara. The Greek forces are advancing towards Valona. After obstinate fighting around a fortress we captured many prisoners, guns and considerable war material," added the announcement.

Gasholder Canard Of Nazis

British Type Is Safe

LONDON, Jan. 2 (Reuter).—In a recent communiqué the Nazis claimed that during a raid on Britain a gas-holder exploded. The type of gas-holder used in Britain does not explode. The worst that could happen is that the escaping gas could ignite.

On the other hand many of the German gas-holders are of the waterless type in which pressure is maintained by a piston inside the holder. Damage to the casing or piston of a German gasholder might lead to air mixing with the gas with the possibility of a real disaster.

Mariners Warned

Mariners are warned that a steel lighter considered to be dangerous to navigation is reported to have sunk in a position 1½ cables distant, south-east by east from the North Point of Peng Chau Island in Latitude 22°33.00 degrees North, Longitude 114°26 degrees East, states a notice issued by the Hongkong Harbour Office.
The lighter, according to the Water Police, sank in five fathoms of water at 2.30 p.m. yesterday.

Stabilising China's Currency

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"
WASHINGTON, Jan. 2 (UP). Mr. Henry Morgenthau, Secretary of the Treasury, told the press to-day that he hoped to complete within the next few days, detailed arrangements for the fulfilment of the \$50,000,000 Chinese currency stabilization agreement.

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BRITAIN'S ARMY Germans To Leave Turkey

LONDON, Jan. 2 (British Wireless).—Registration days under the National Service Armed Forces Act for men born in 1904 are announced. January 11 is the date assigned for those born between July 1 and December 31, 1904, and January 18 for those born between January 1 and June 30, 1904.

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